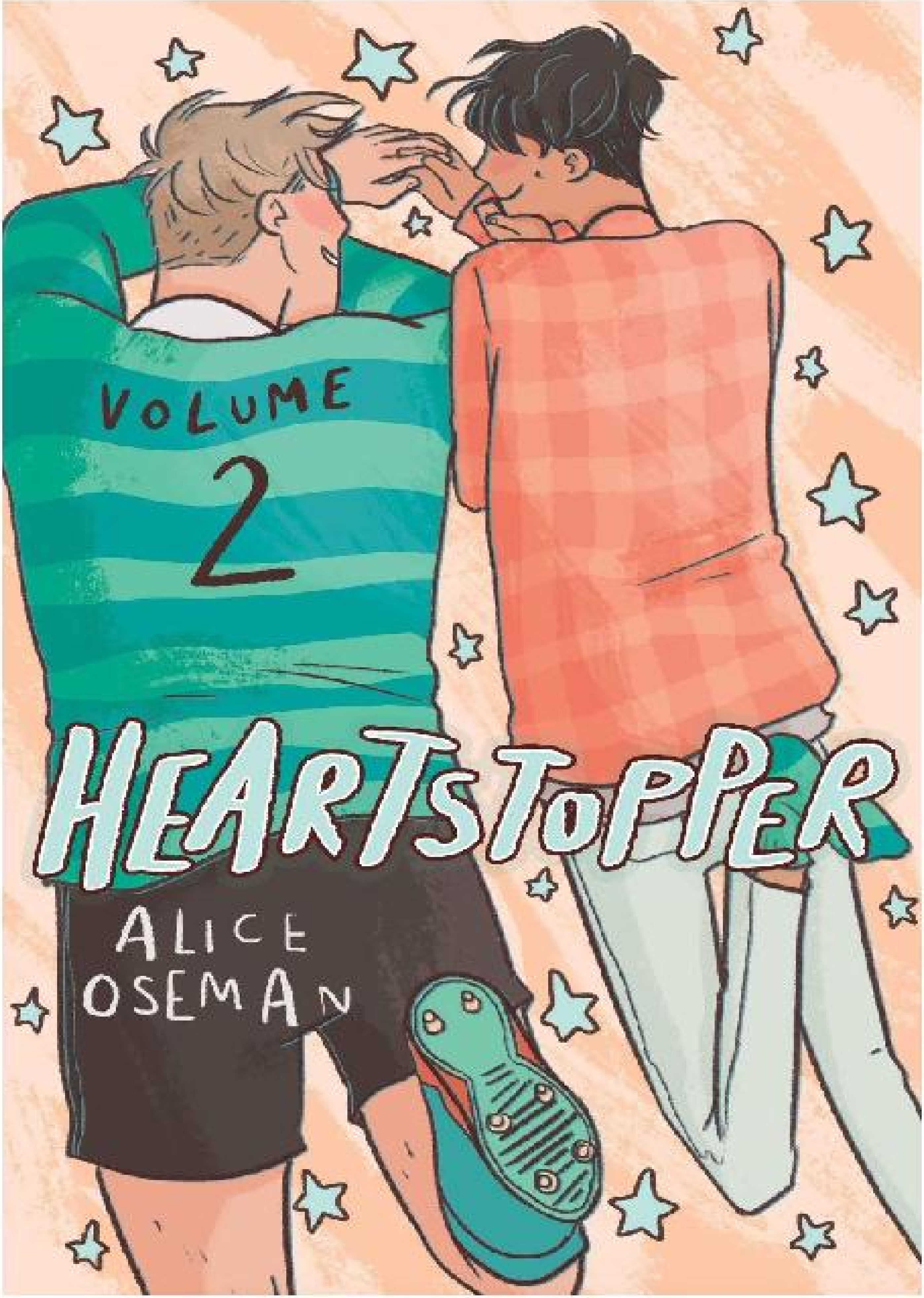
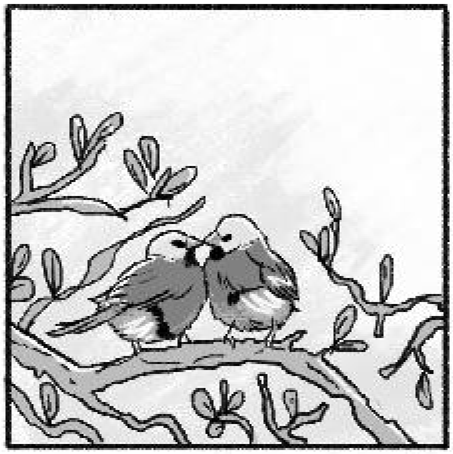
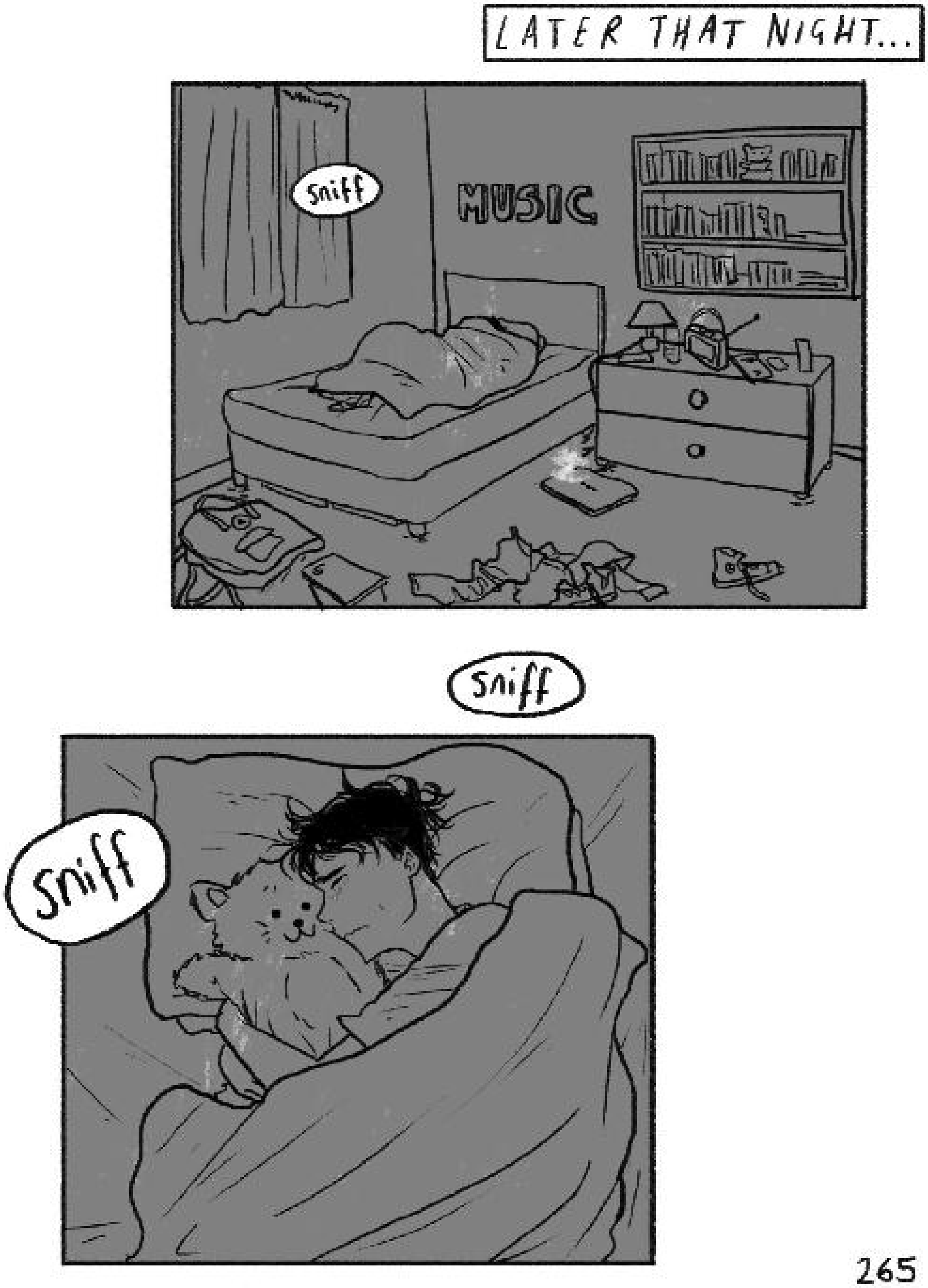
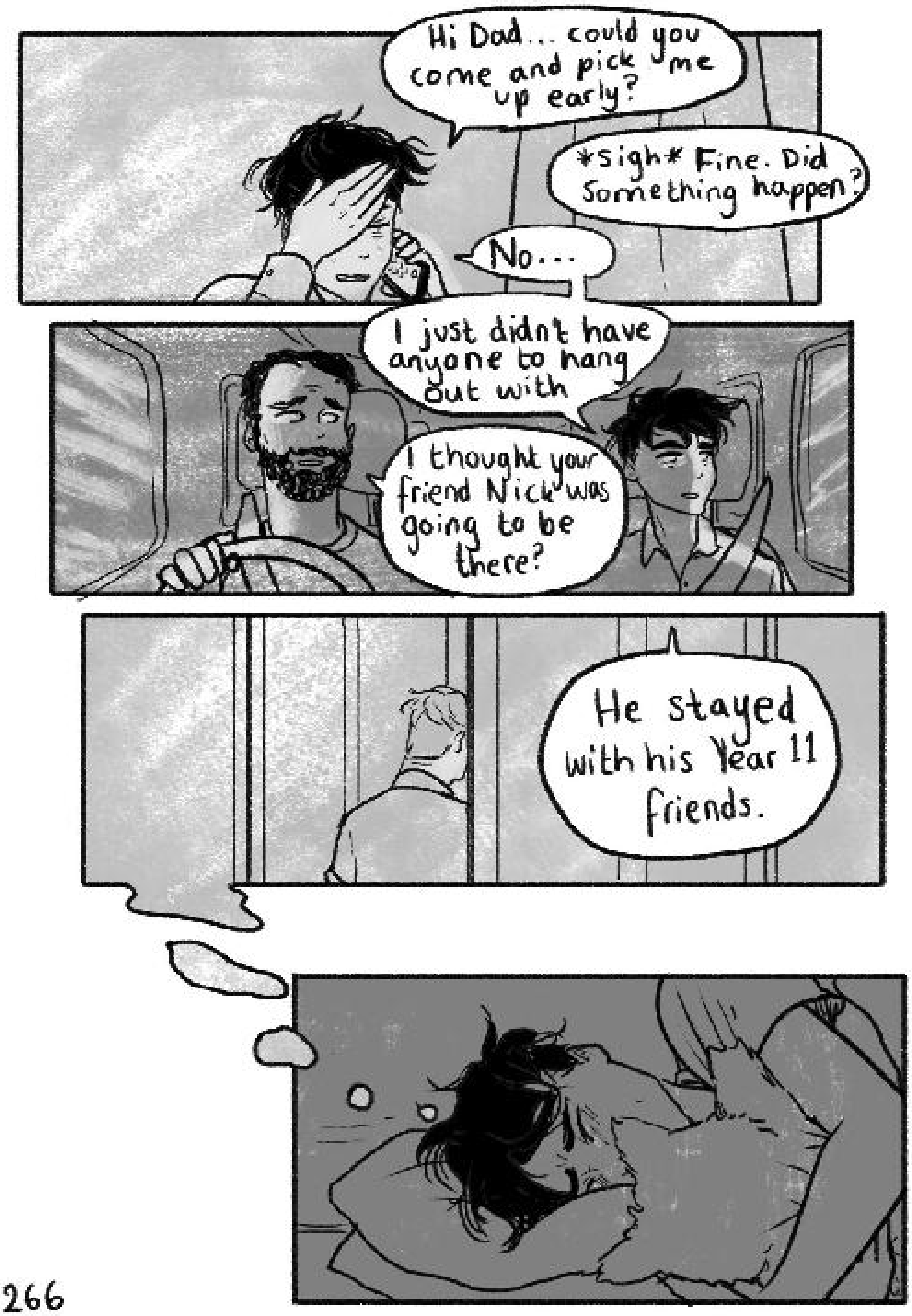
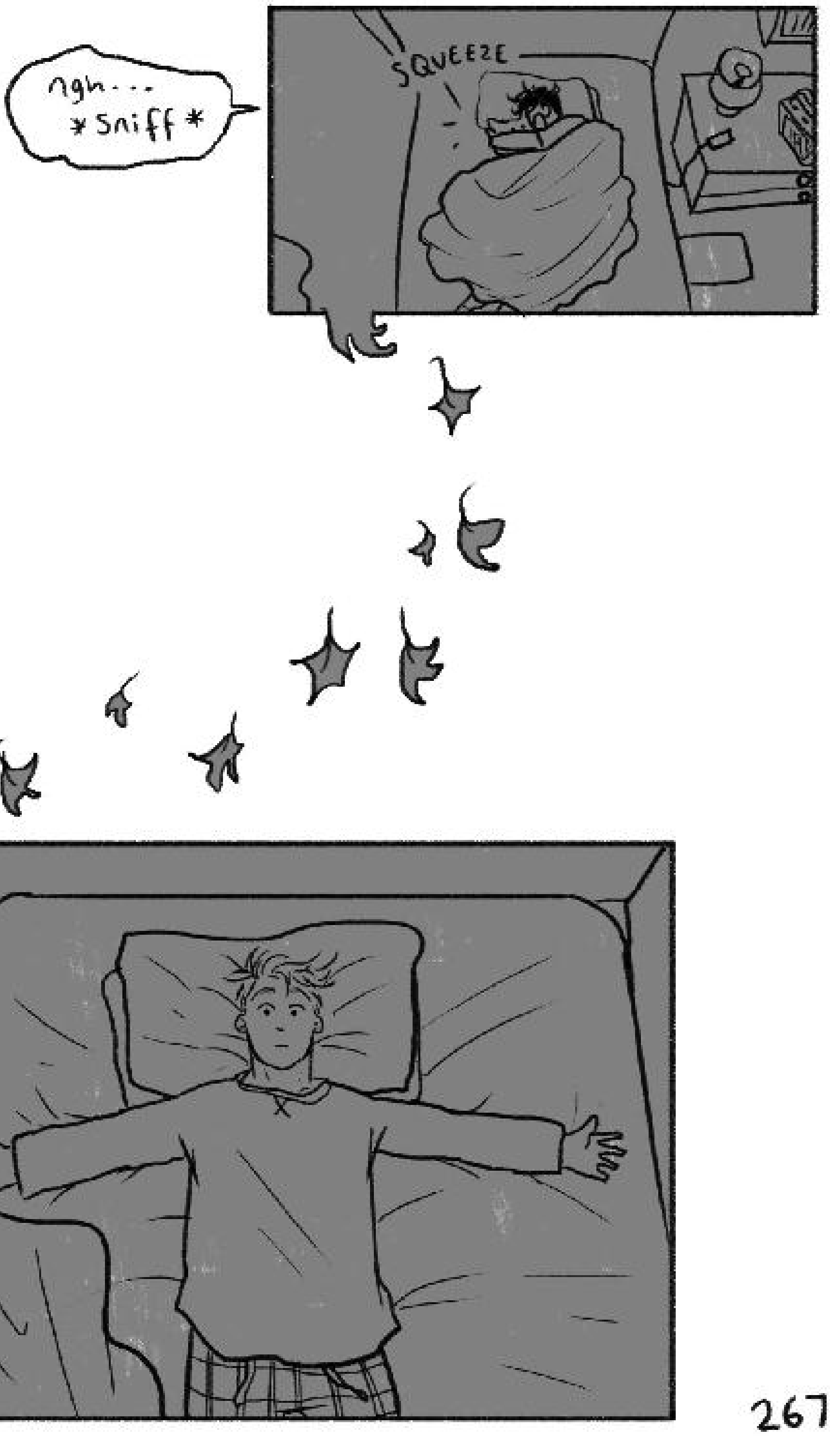

VOLUME
2
HEARTSTOPPER
ALICE
OSEMAN

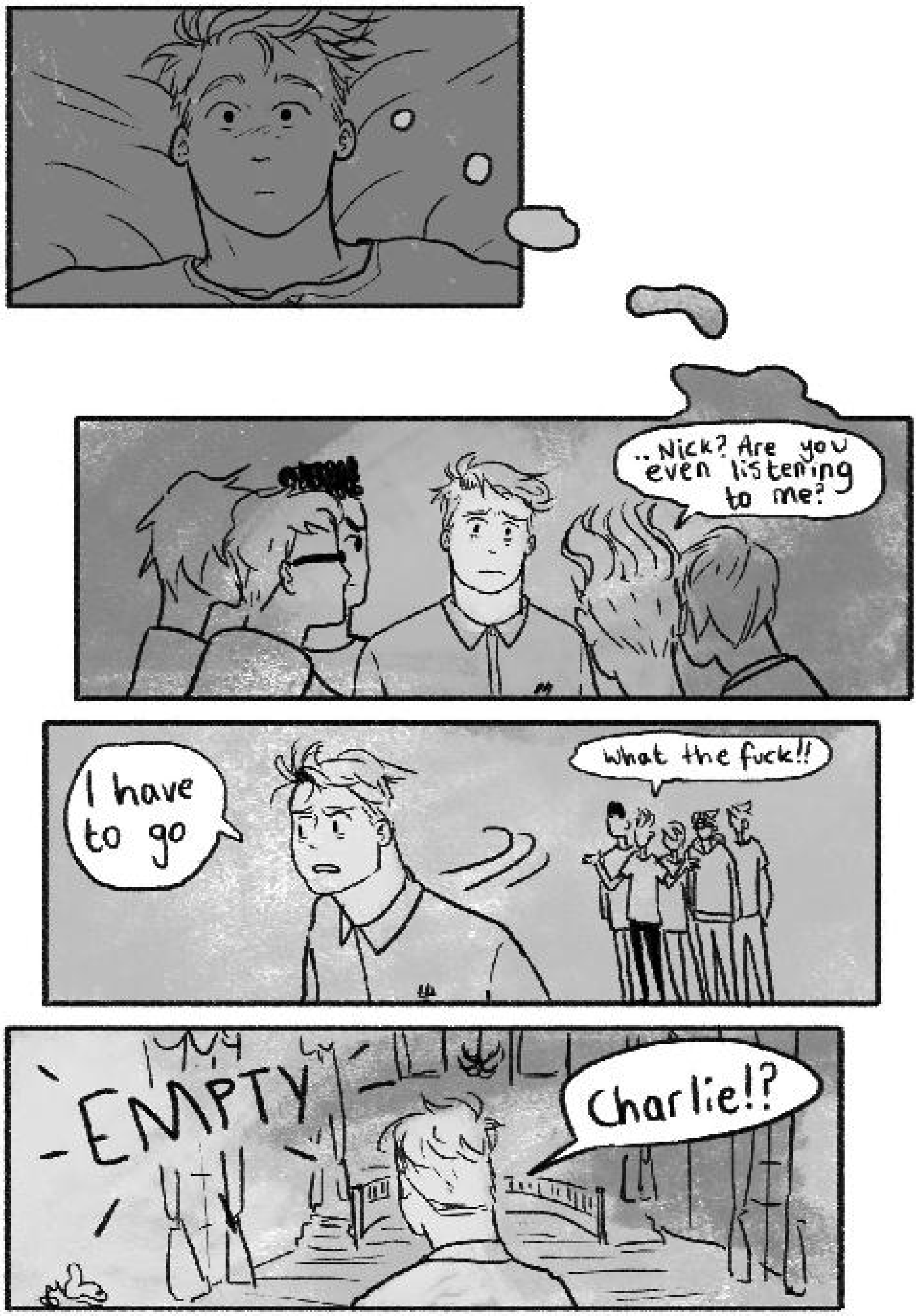


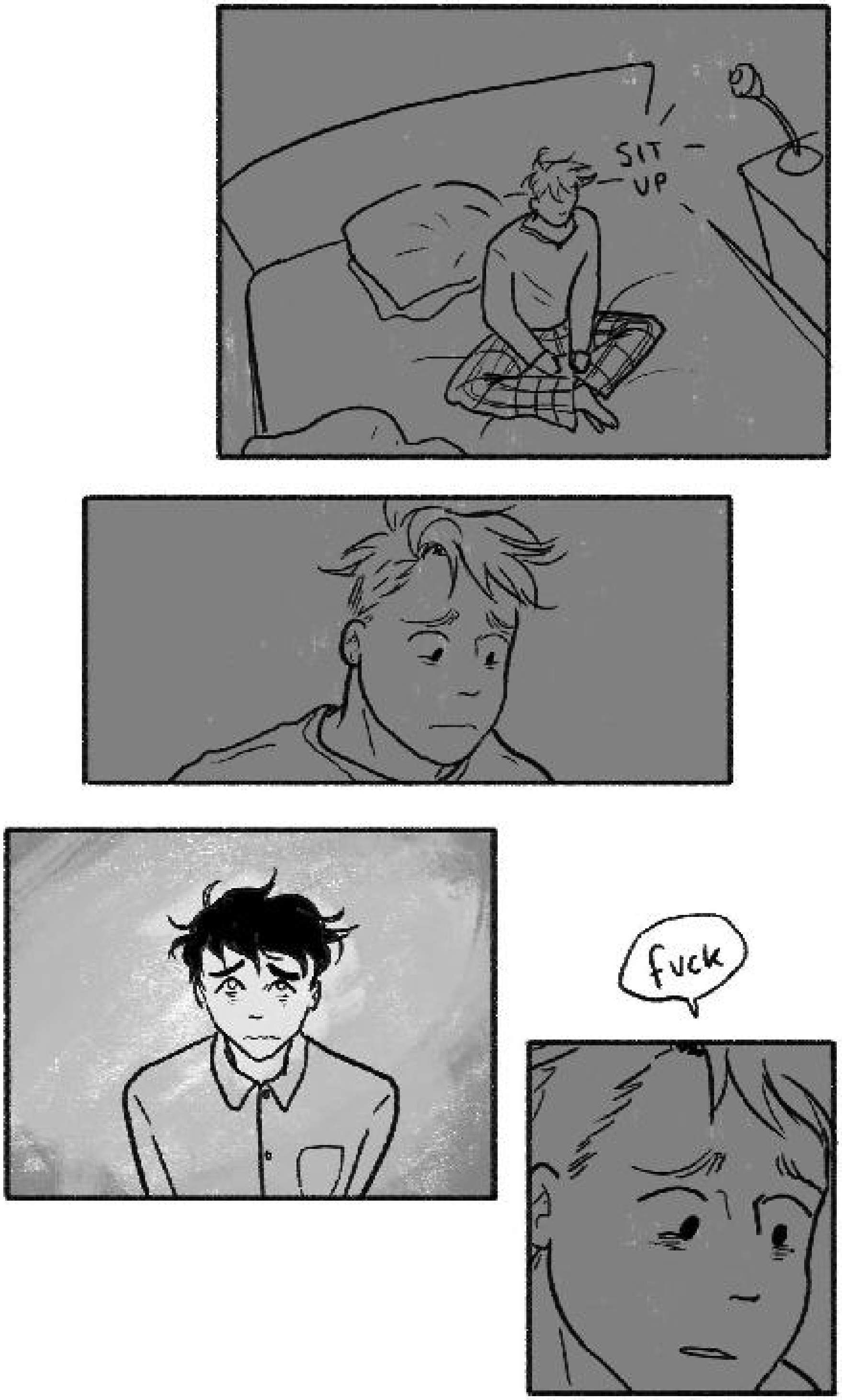
3. KISS

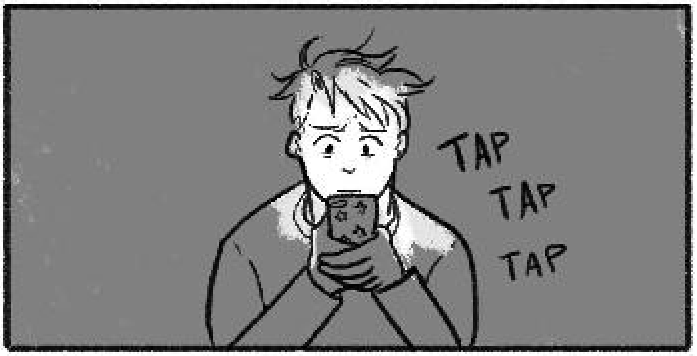

LATER THAT NIGHT...
sniff
MUSIC
sniff
sniff

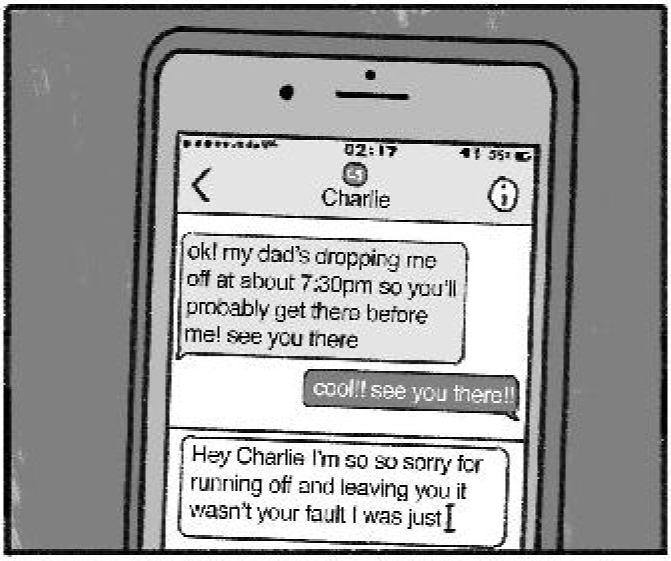

Hi Dad... could you come and pick me up early?
sigh Fine. Did something happen?
No...
I just didn't have anyone to hang out with
I thought your friend Nick was going to be there?
He stayed with his Year 11 friends.


ngh... *sniff*
SQUEEZE


..Nick? Are you even listening to me?
I have to go
what the fuck!!
EMPTY
Charlie!?


SIT UP
fuck

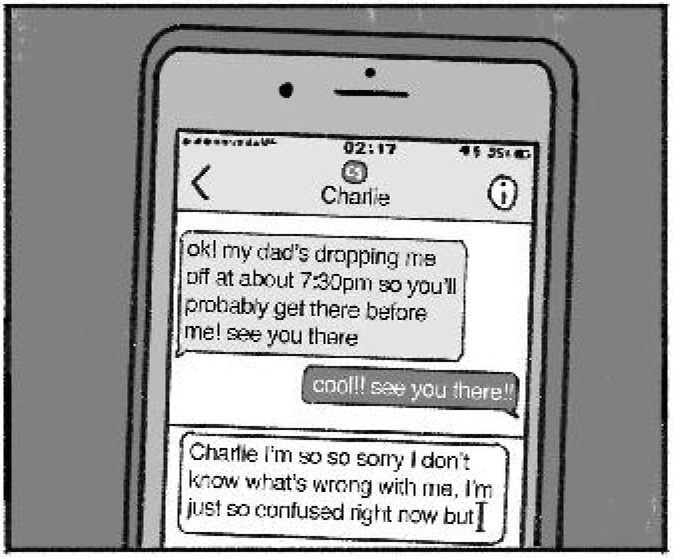




ok! my dad's dropping me off at about 7:30pm so you'll probably get there before me! see you there

cool!! see you there!!

Hey Charlie I'm so so sorry for running off and leaving you it wasn't your fault I was just



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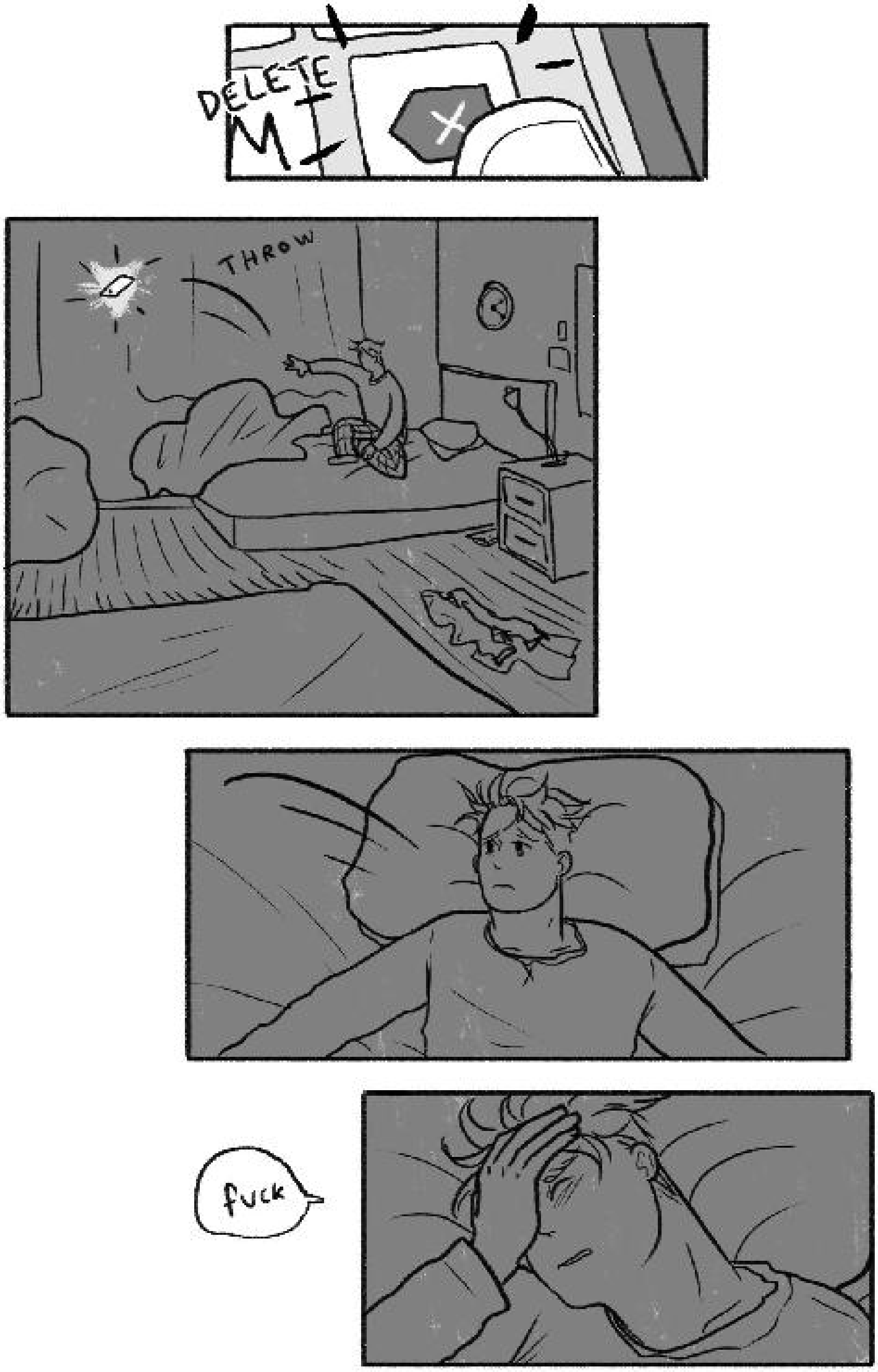
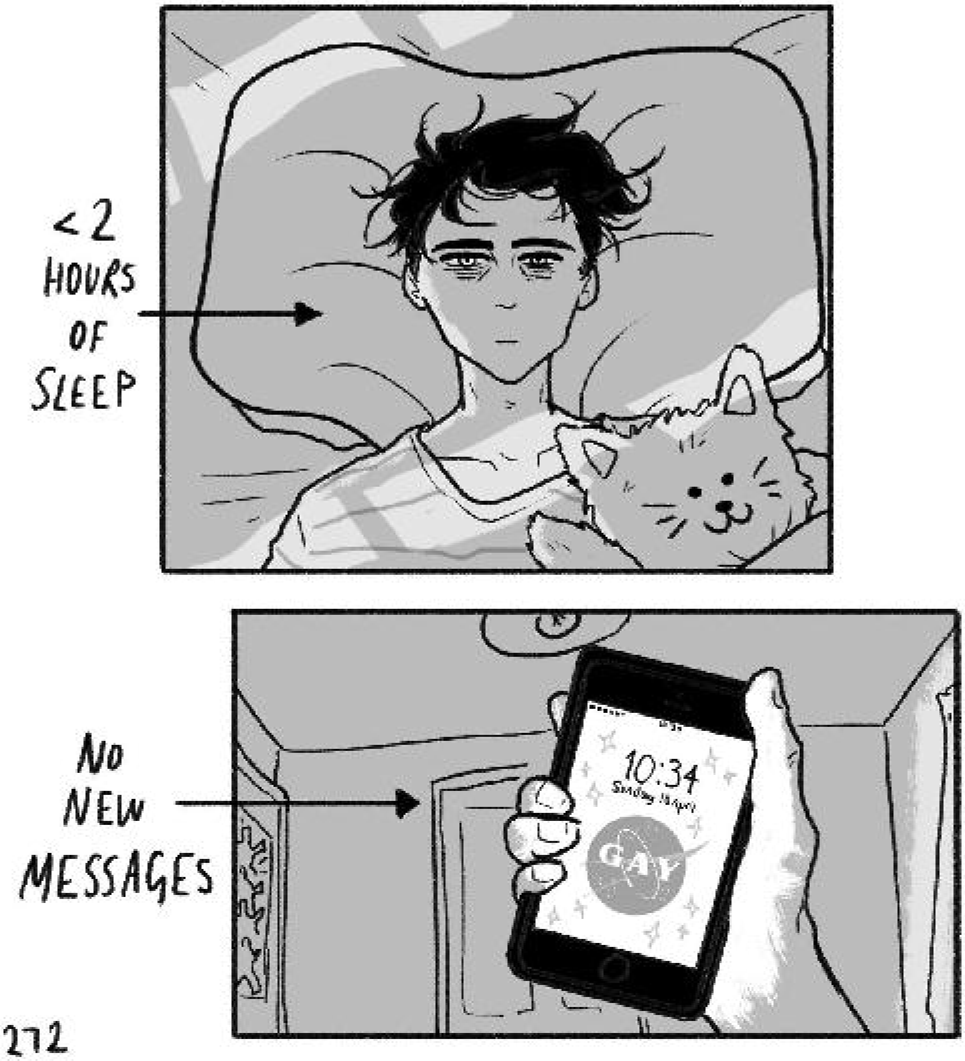
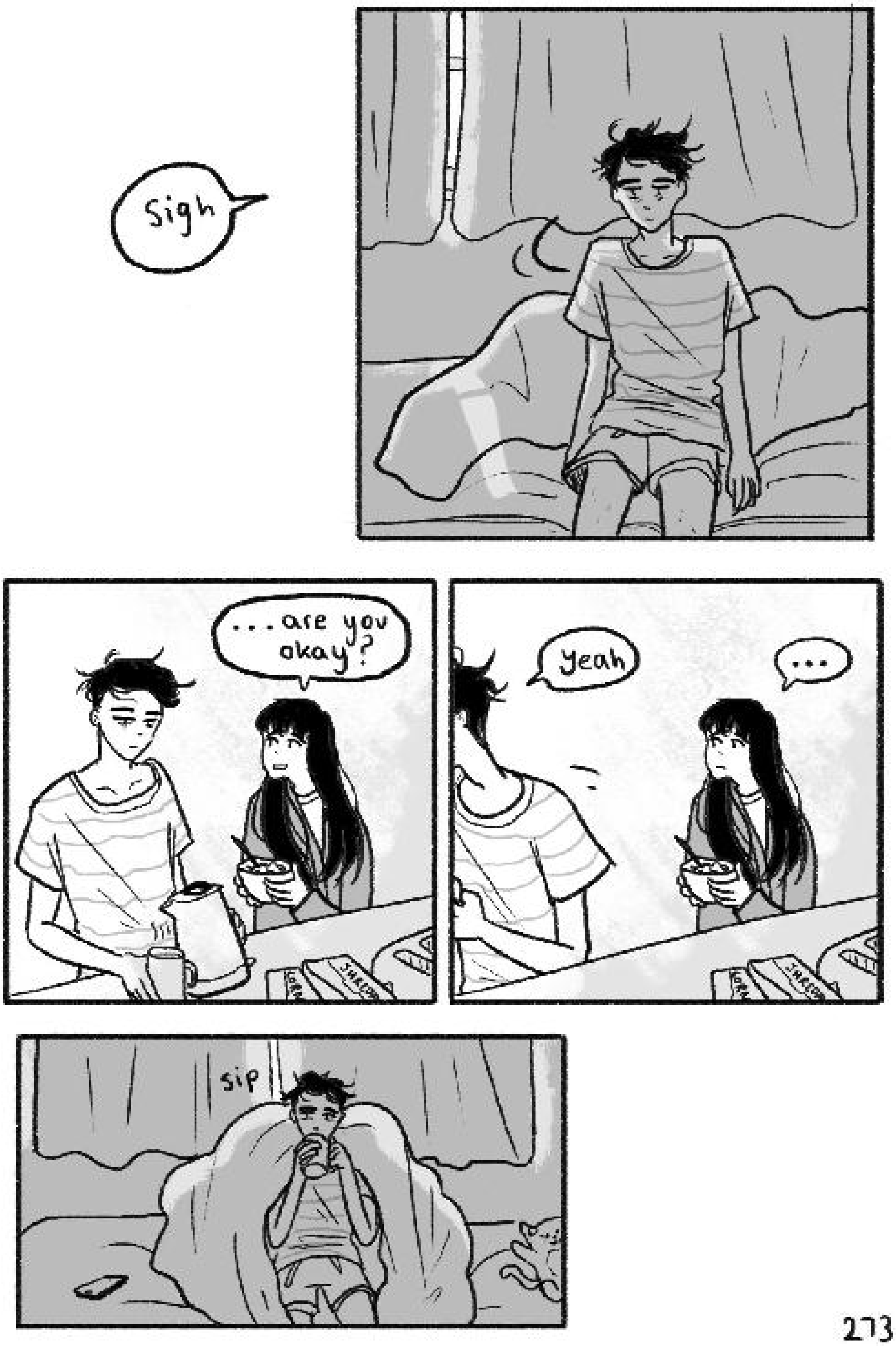
cool!! see you there!!

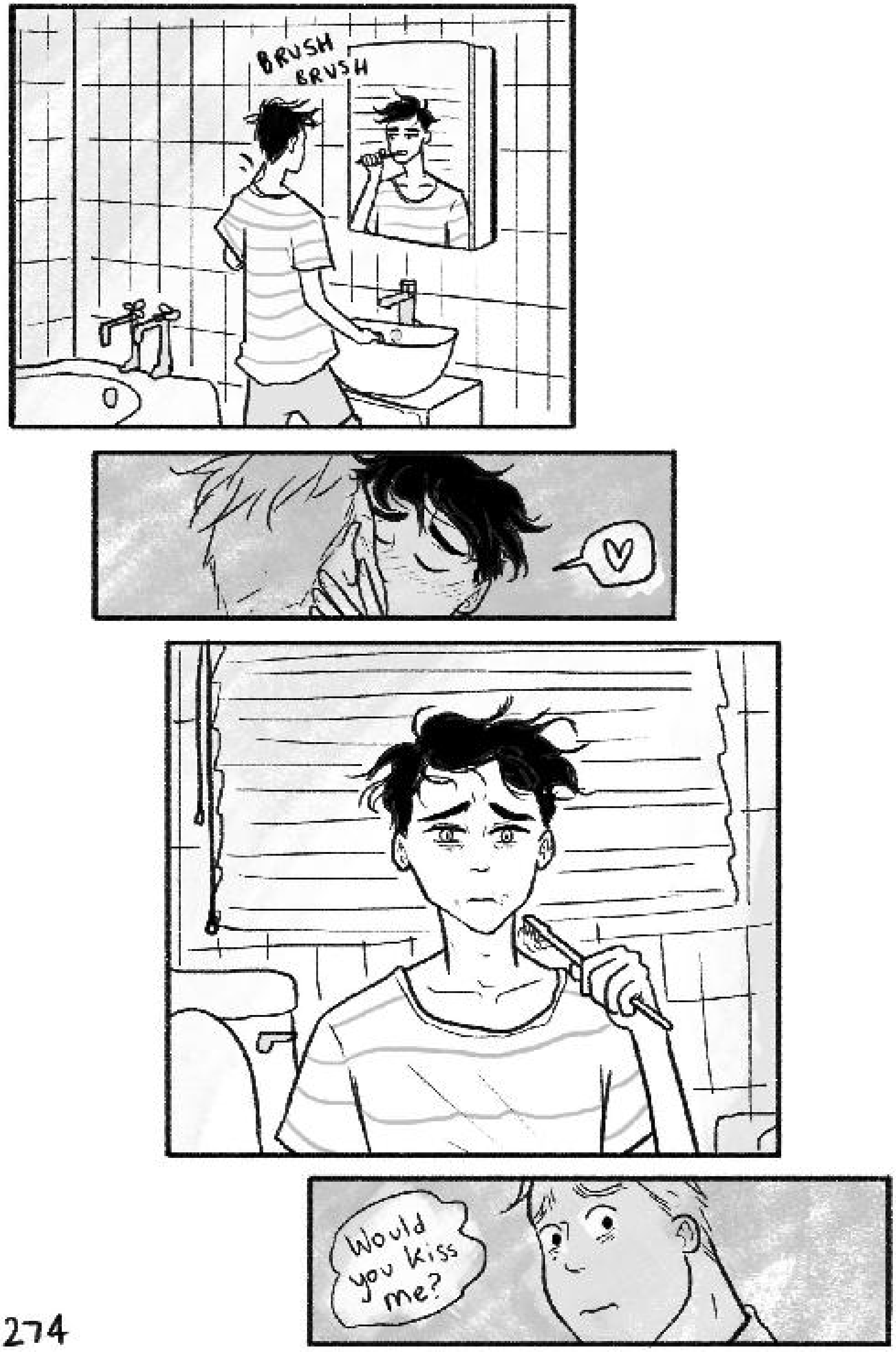
Charlie I'm so so sorry I don't know what's wrong with me, I'm just so confused right now but

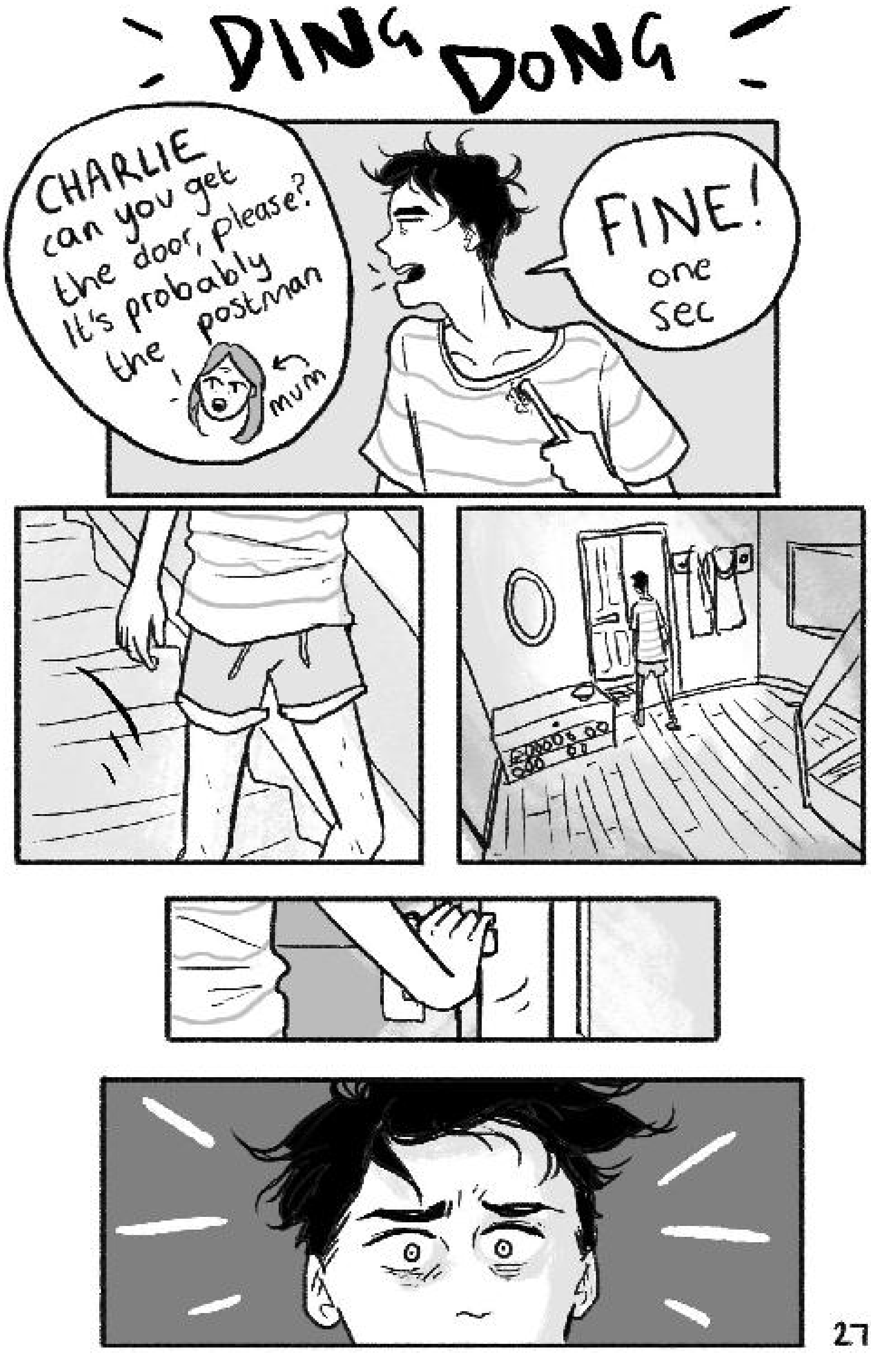

DELETE
MI
THROW
fuck

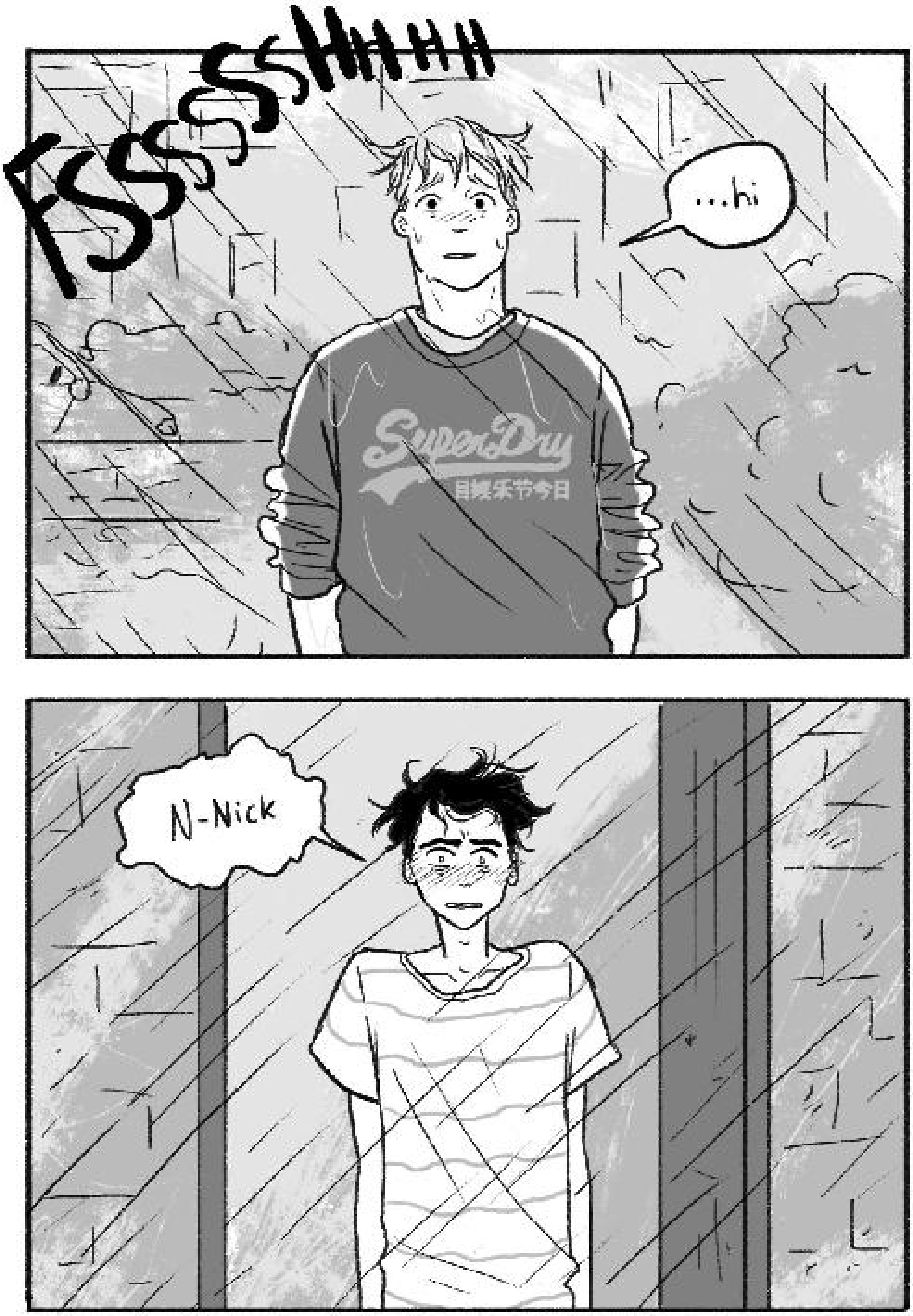
THE NEXT MORNING

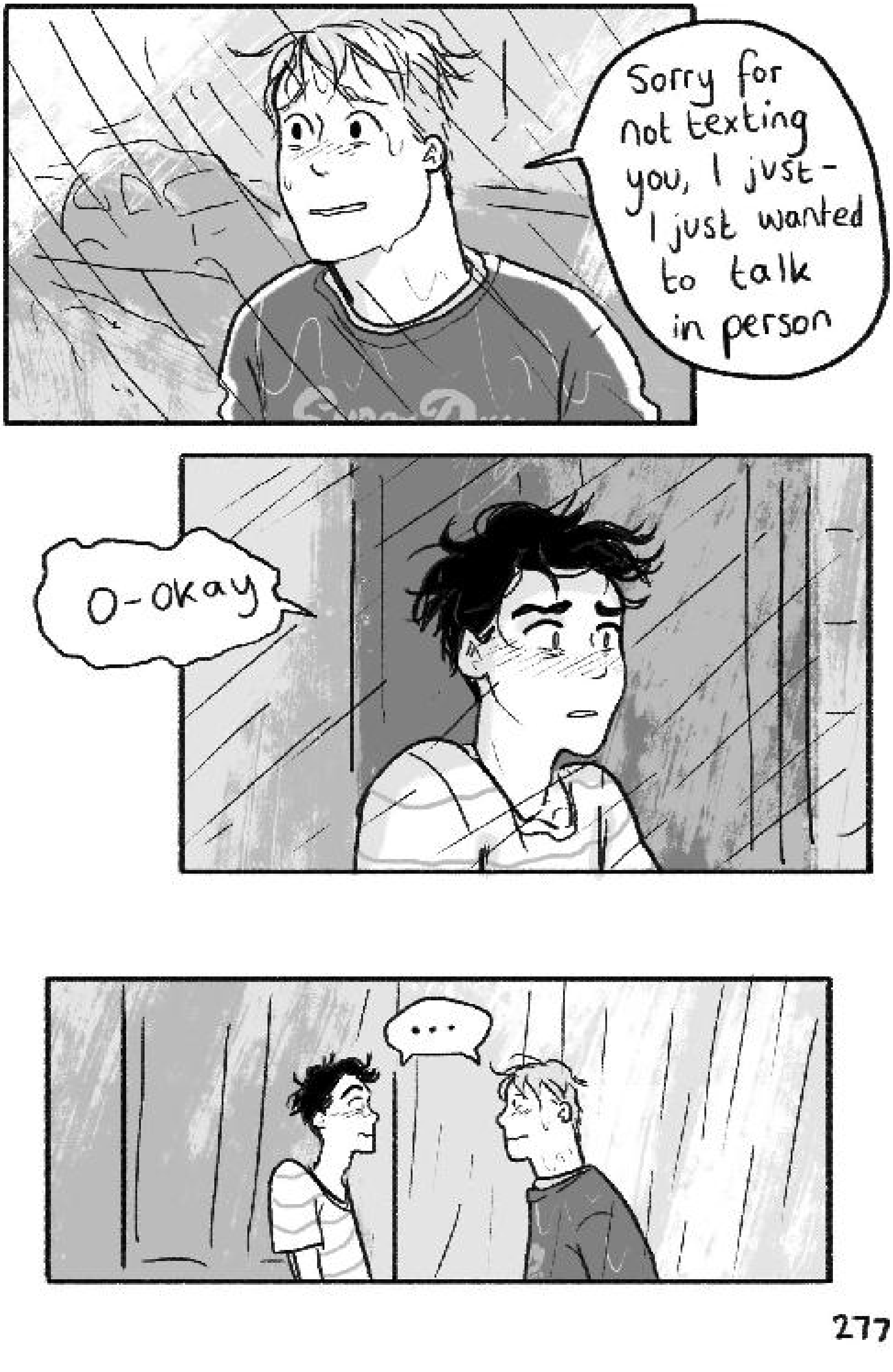

<2 HOURS OF SLEEP
NO NEW MESSAGES
10:34
GAY

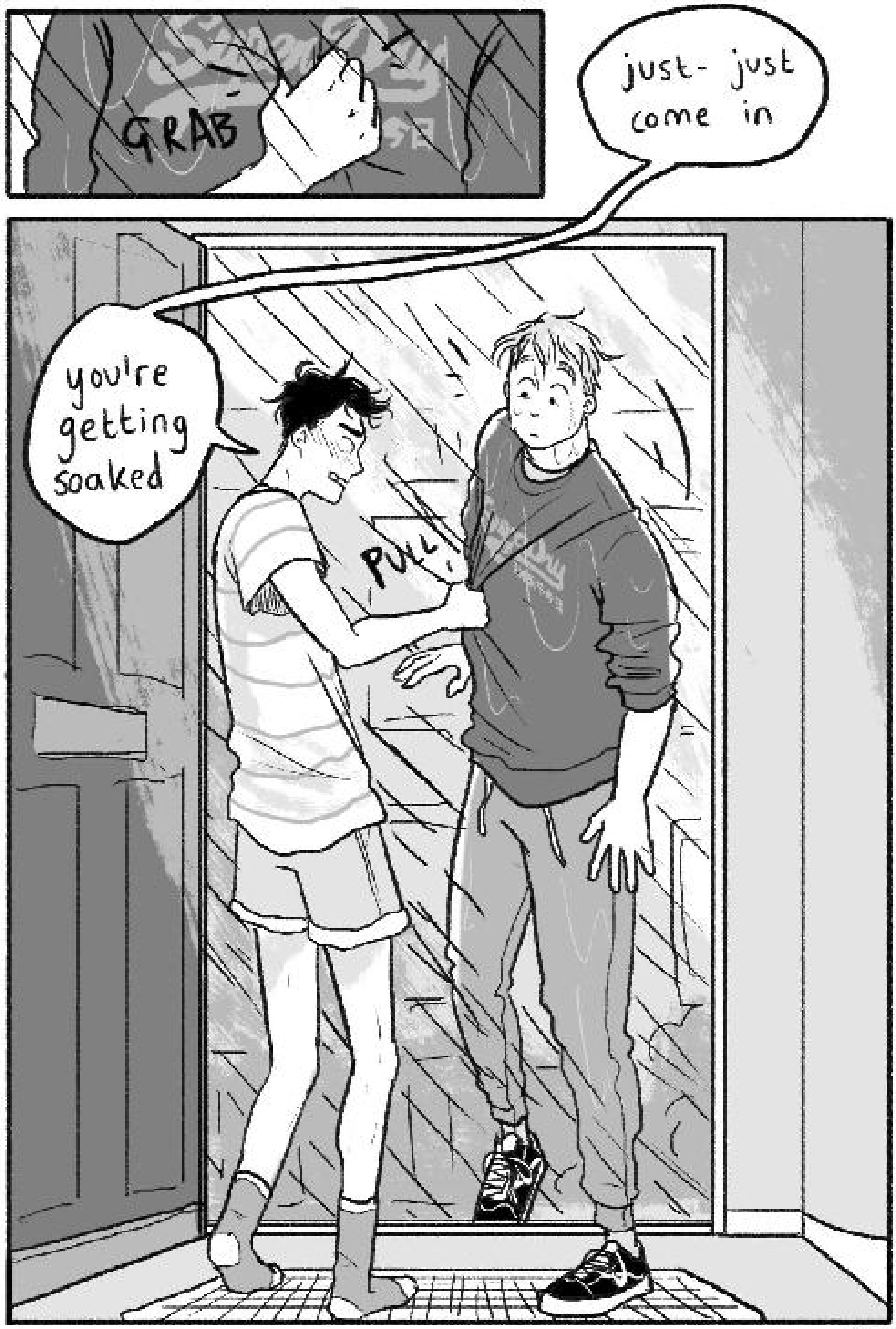

Sigh
...are you okay?
Yeah
...
sip

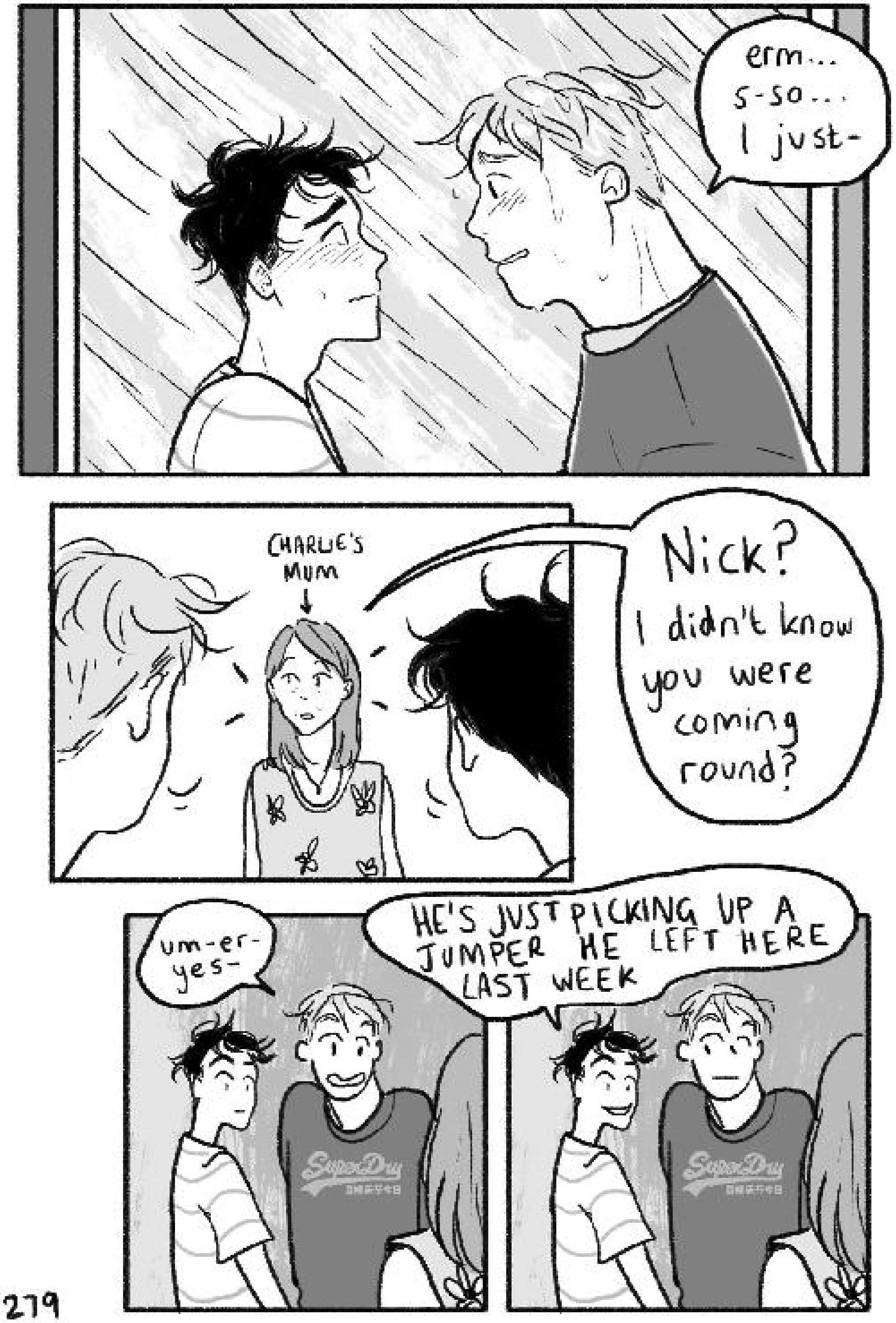

BRUSH
BRUSH
♡
Would you kiss me?

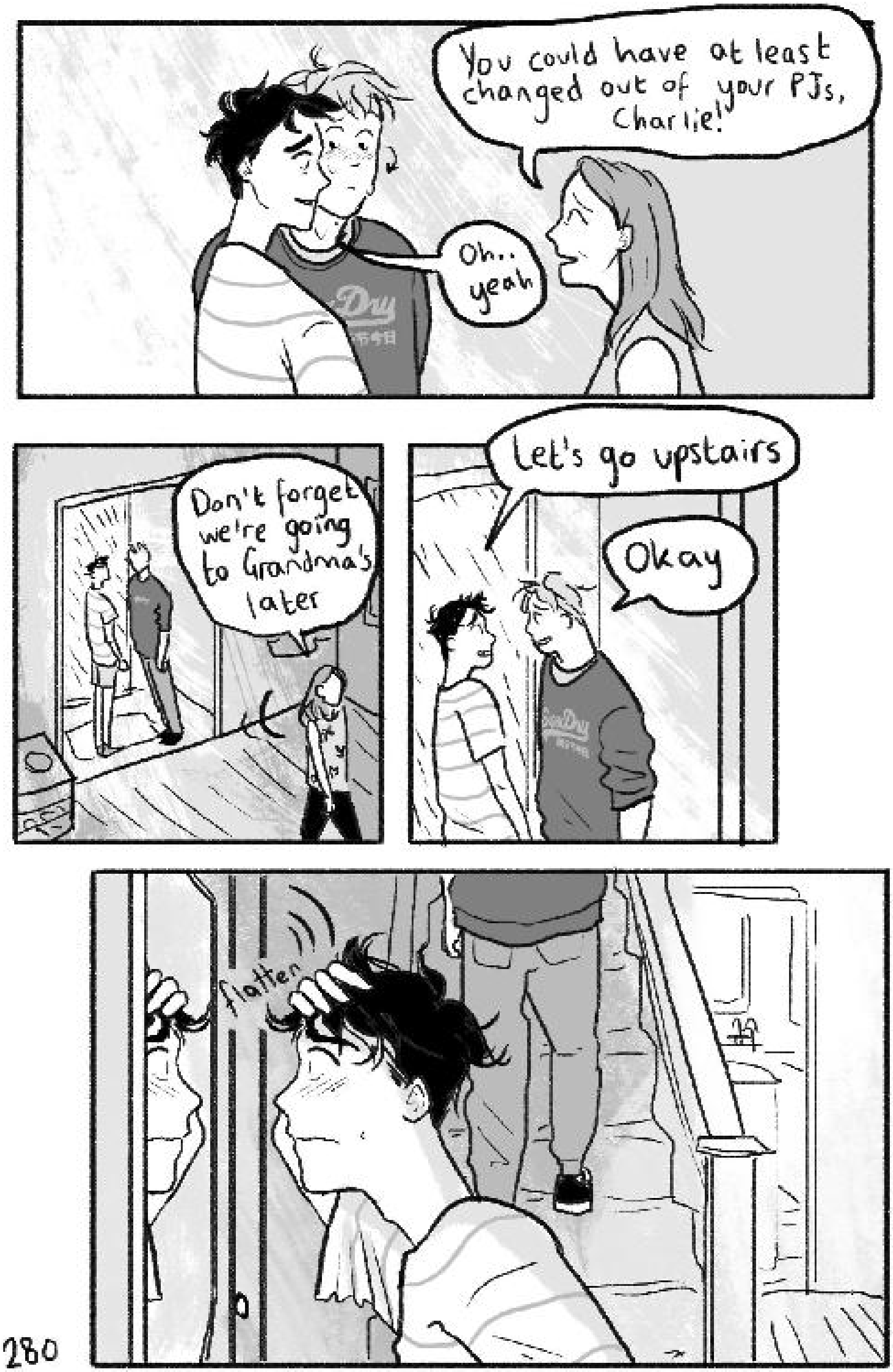

DING DONG
CHARLIE can you get the door, please? It's probably the postman
mum
FINE! one sec

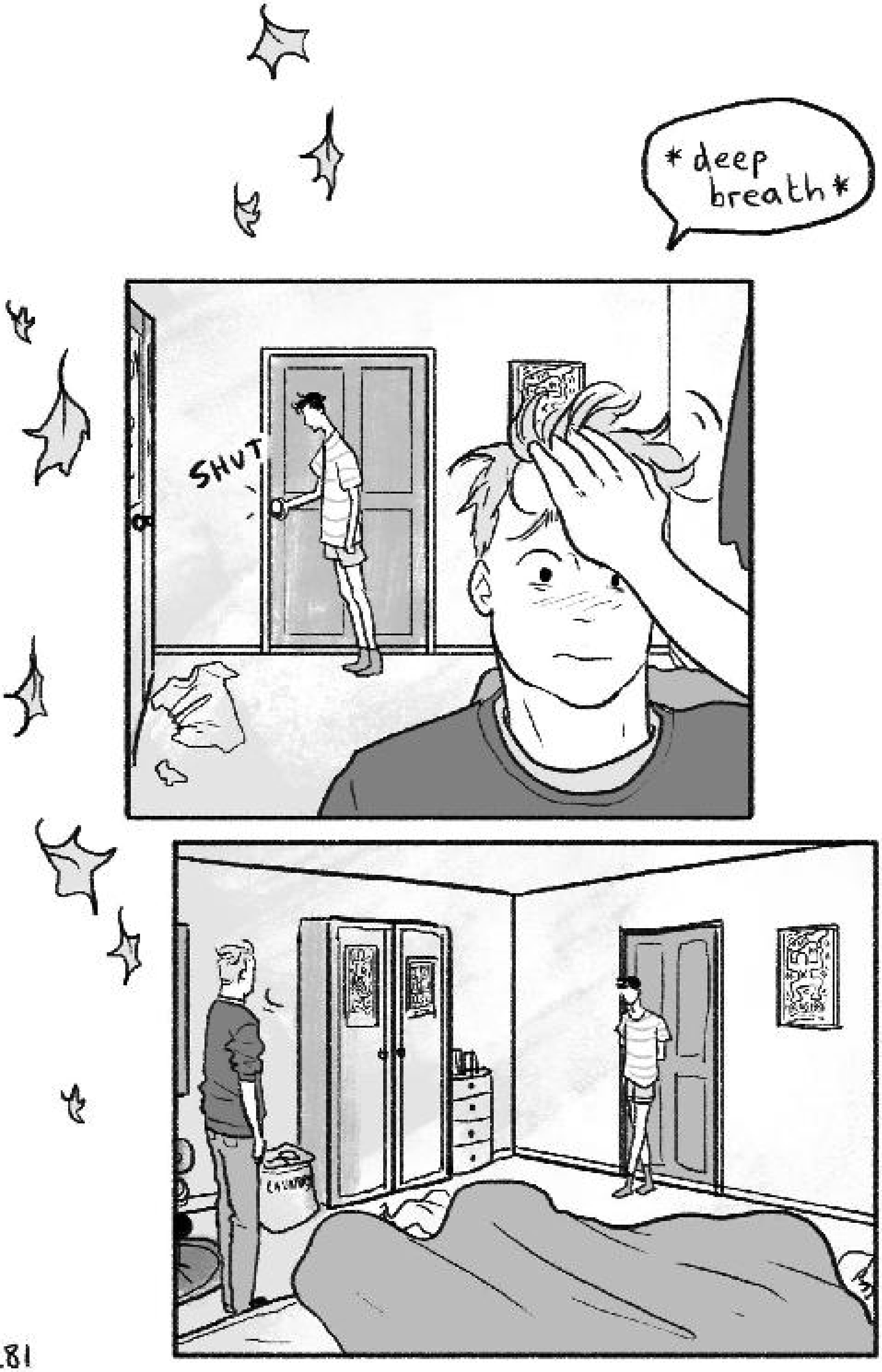

FSSSSSHHHHH
...hi
SuperDry
目娱乐节今日
N-Nick

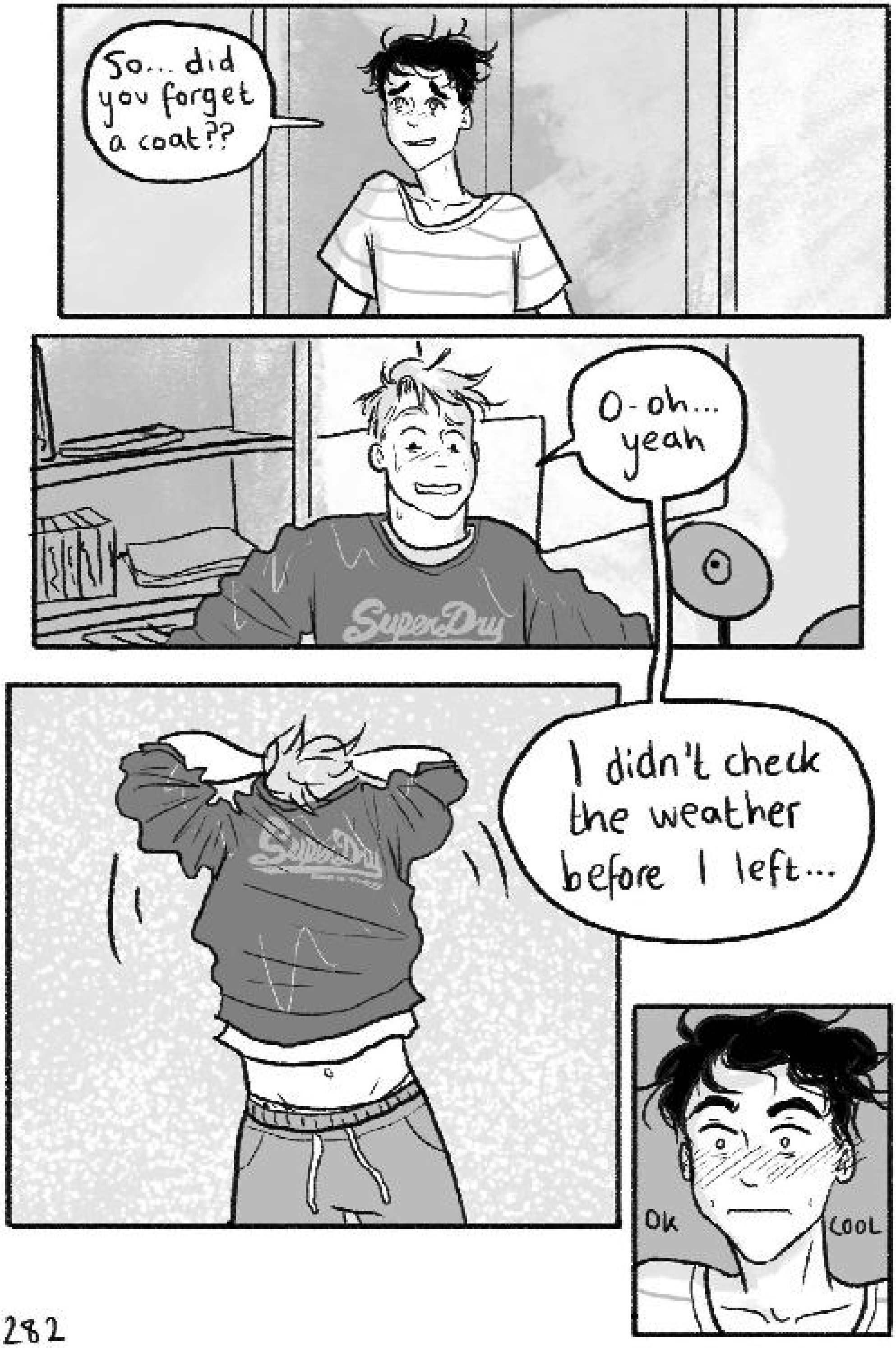

Sorry for not texting you, I just- I just wanted to talk in person
O-okay
...

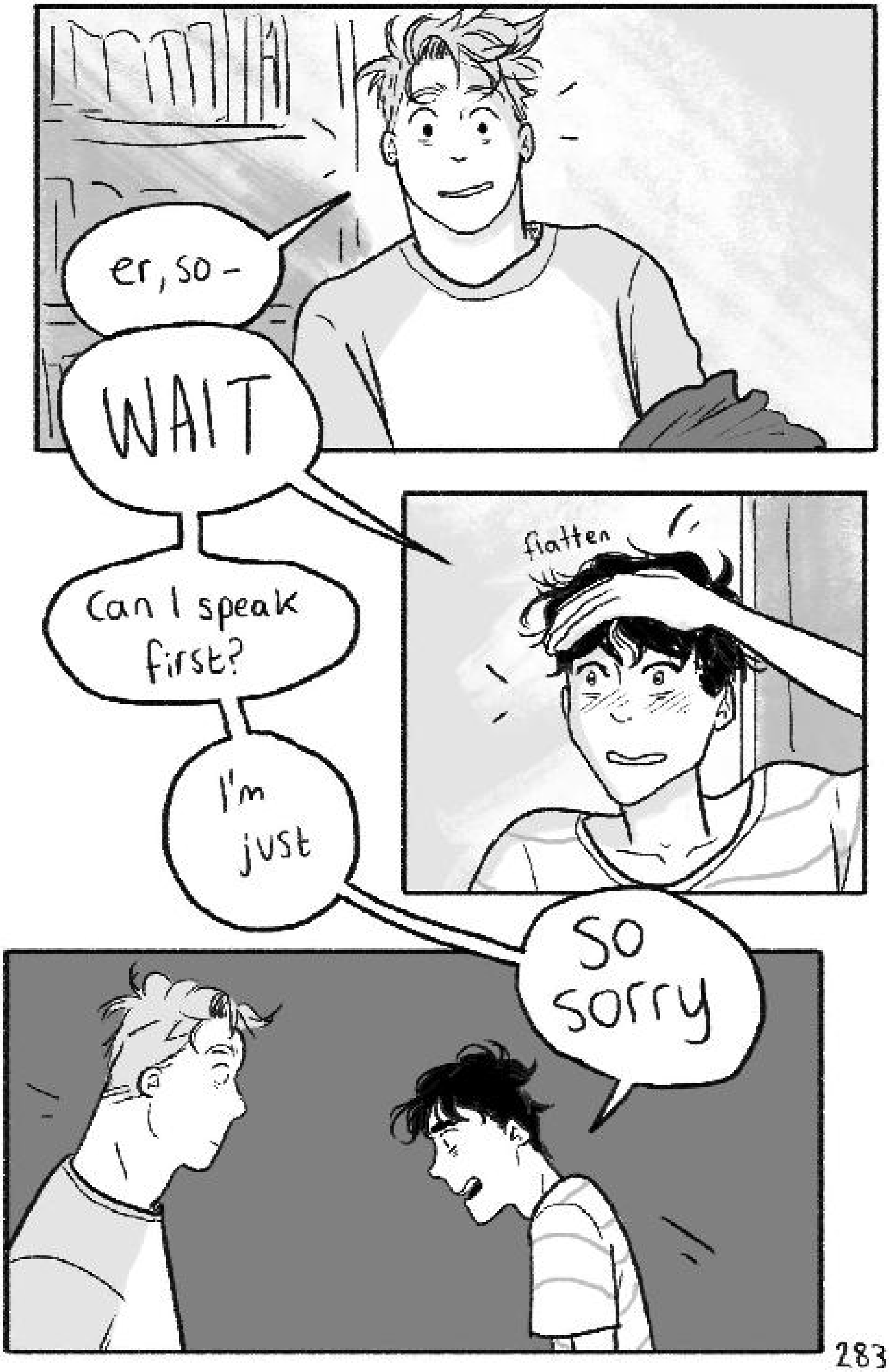

GRAB
just- just come in
you're getting soaked
PULL

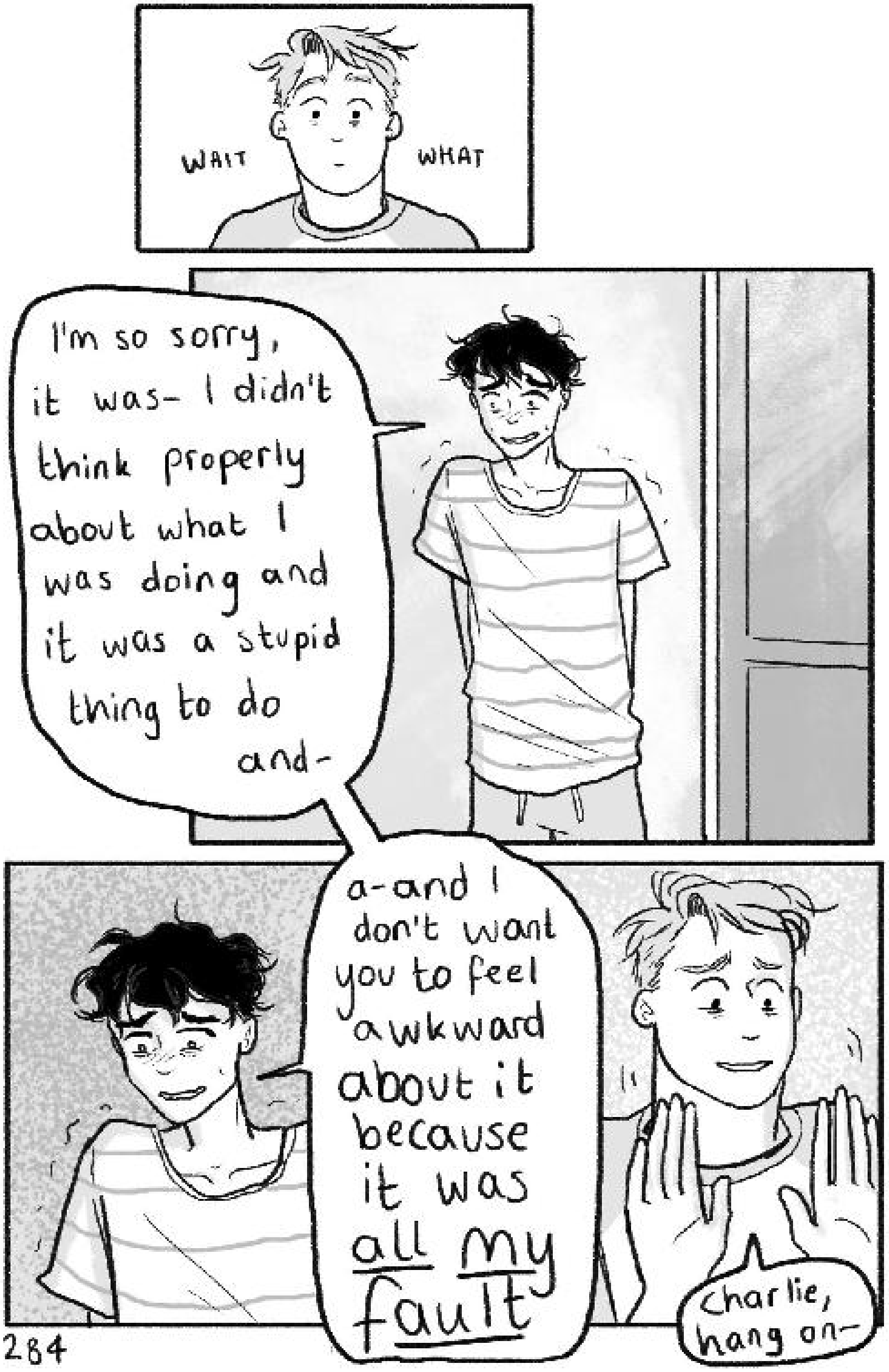

erm... s-so... I just-
CHARLIE'S MUM
Nick? I didn't know you were coming round?
um-er-yes-
SuperDry
HE'S JUST PICKING UP A JUMPER HE LEFT HERE LAST WEEK
SuperDry

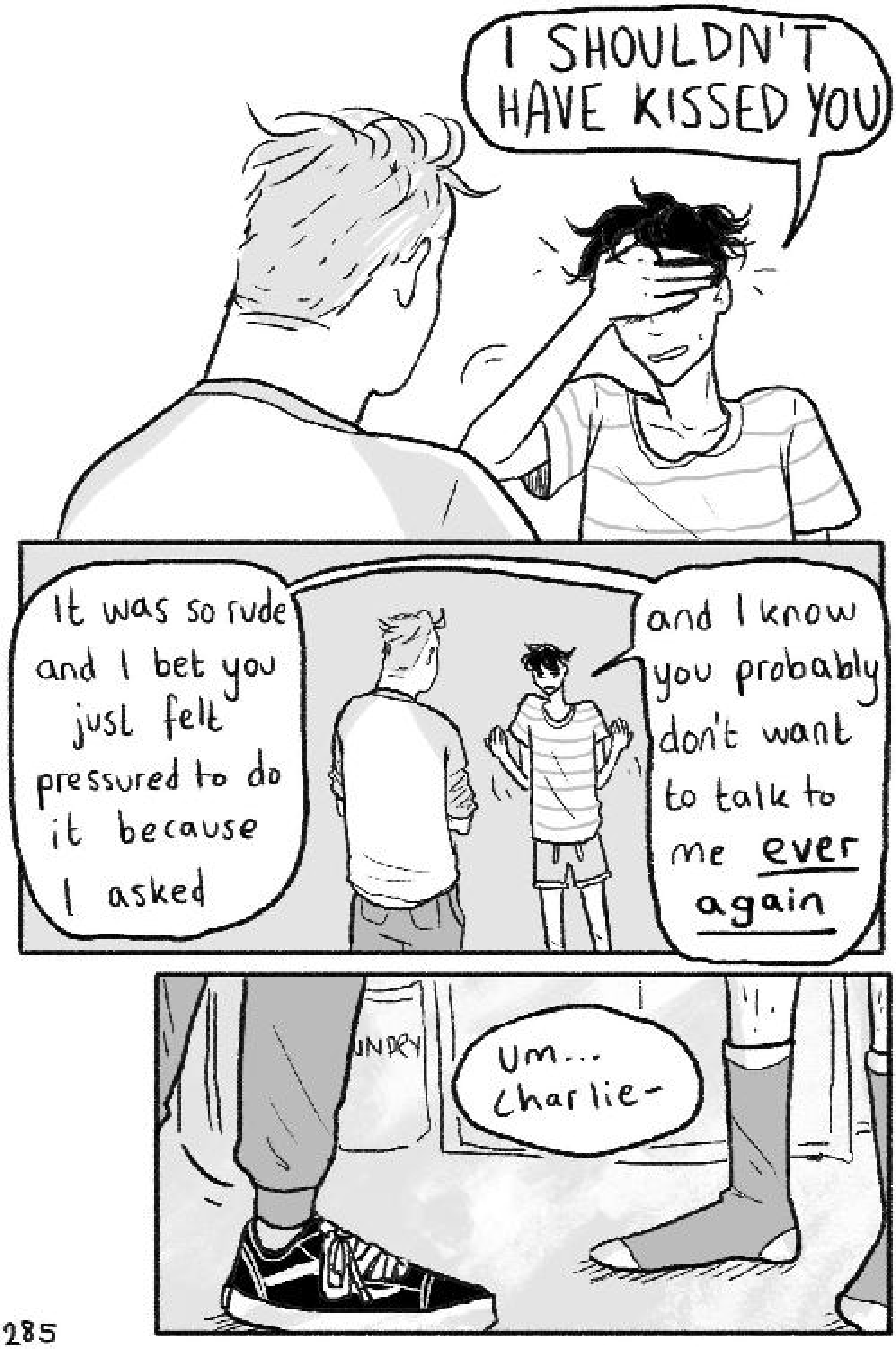

You could have at least changed out of your PJs, Charlie!
Oh.. yeah
Don't forget we're going to Grandma's later
Let's go upstairs
Okay
flatten

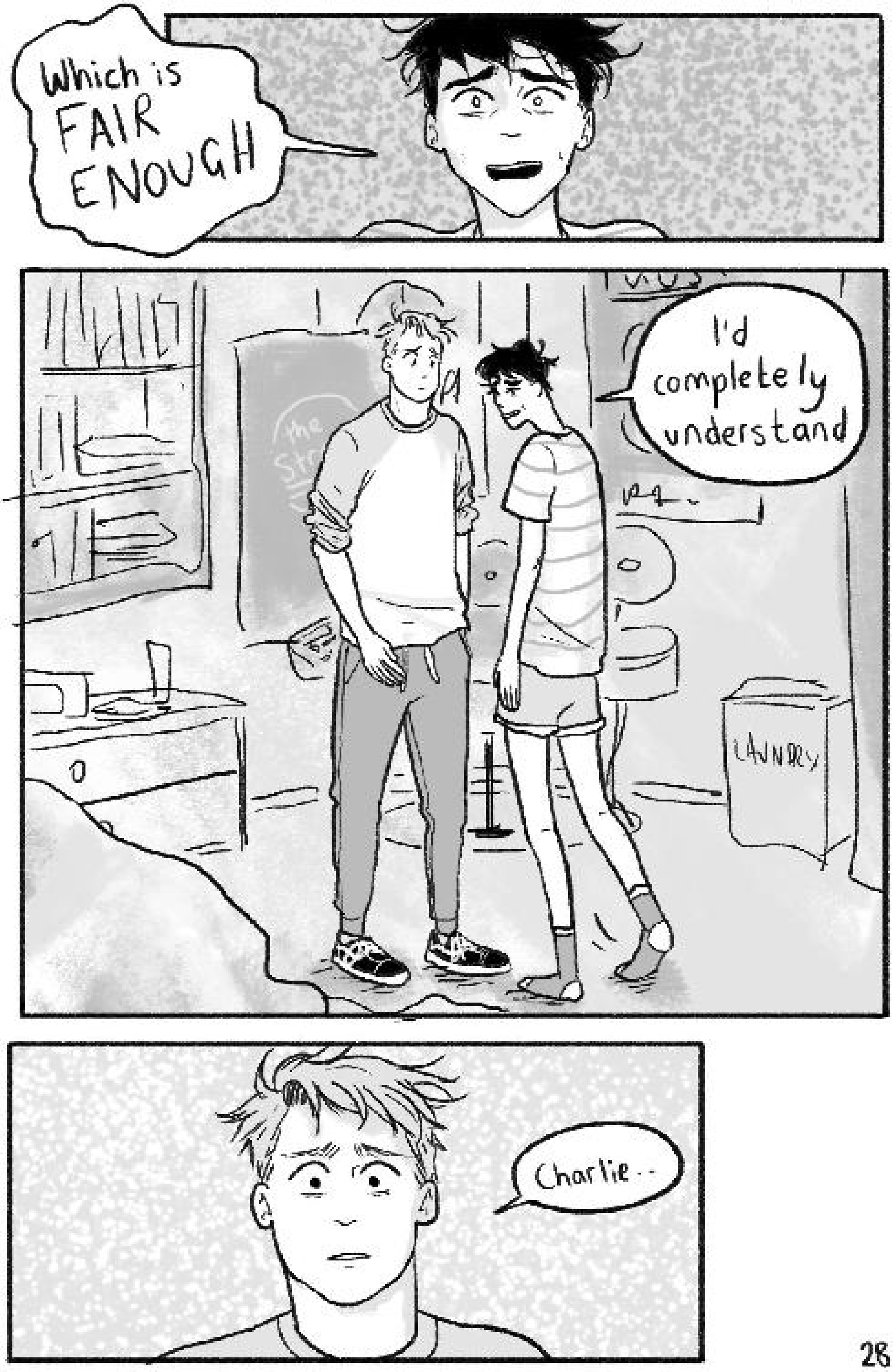

deep breath
SHUT

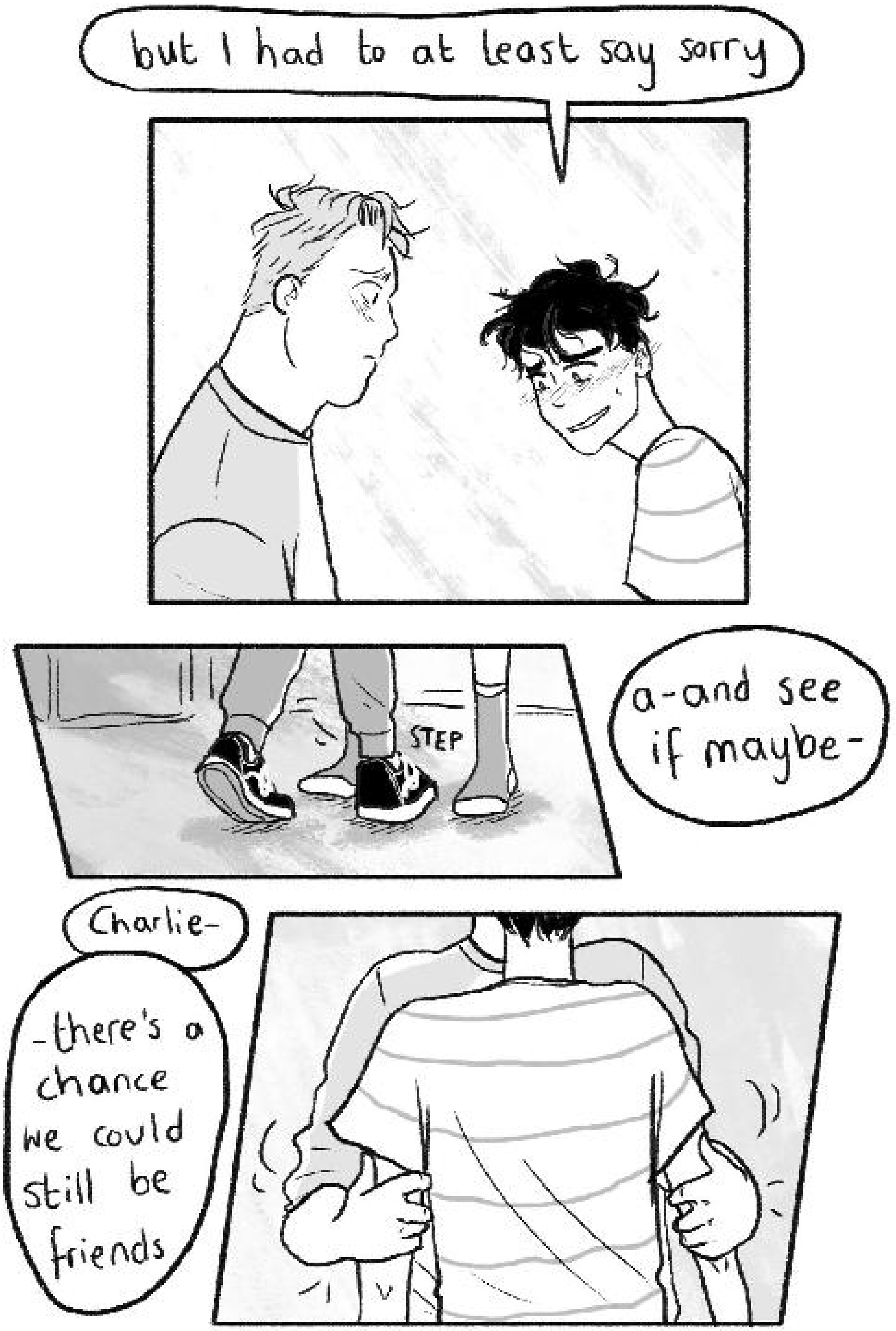

So… did you forget a coat??
O-oh… yeah
I didn't check the weather before I left…
OK
COOL

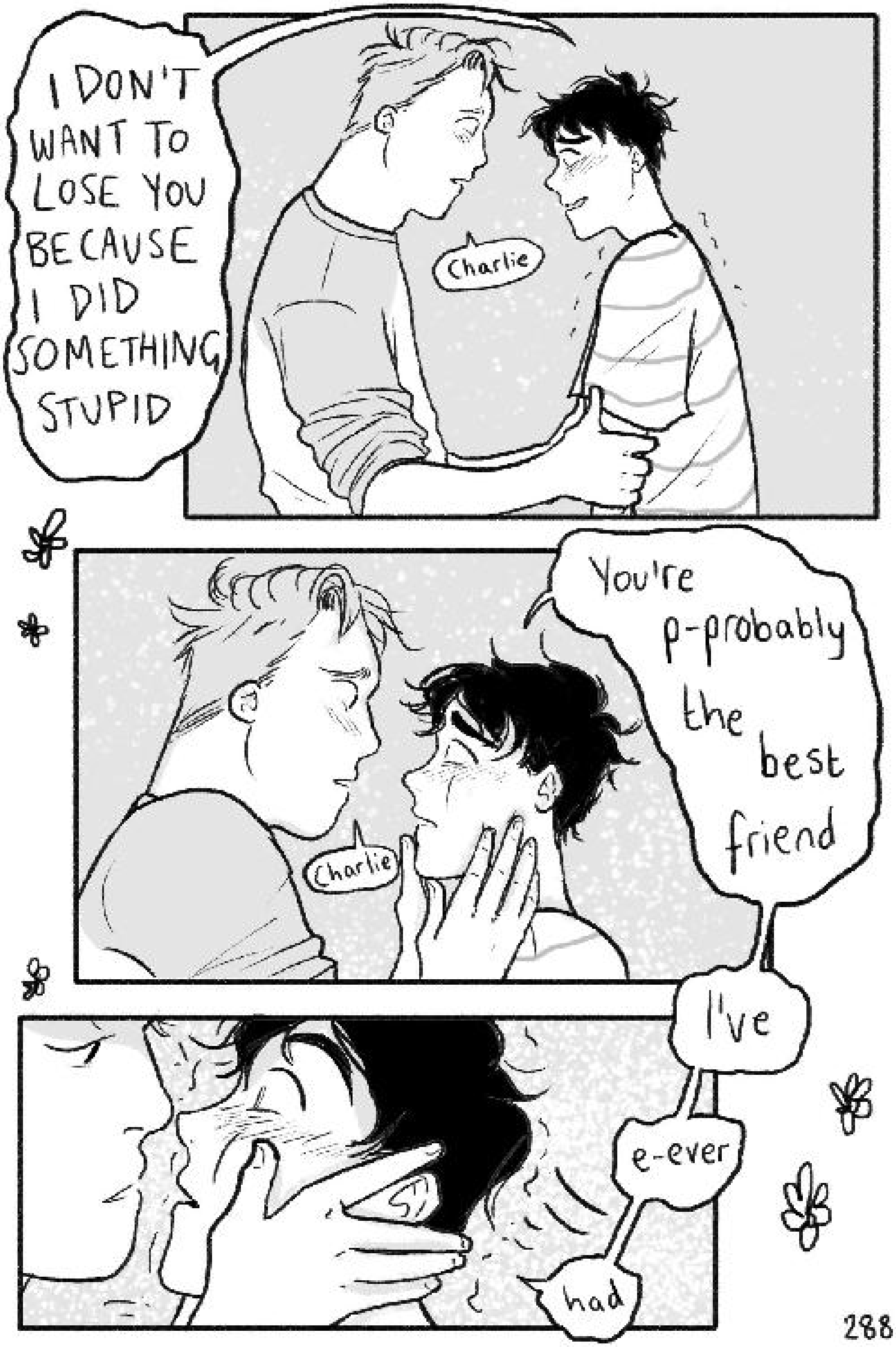

er, so -
WAIT
flatten
Can I speak first?
I'm just
so sorry

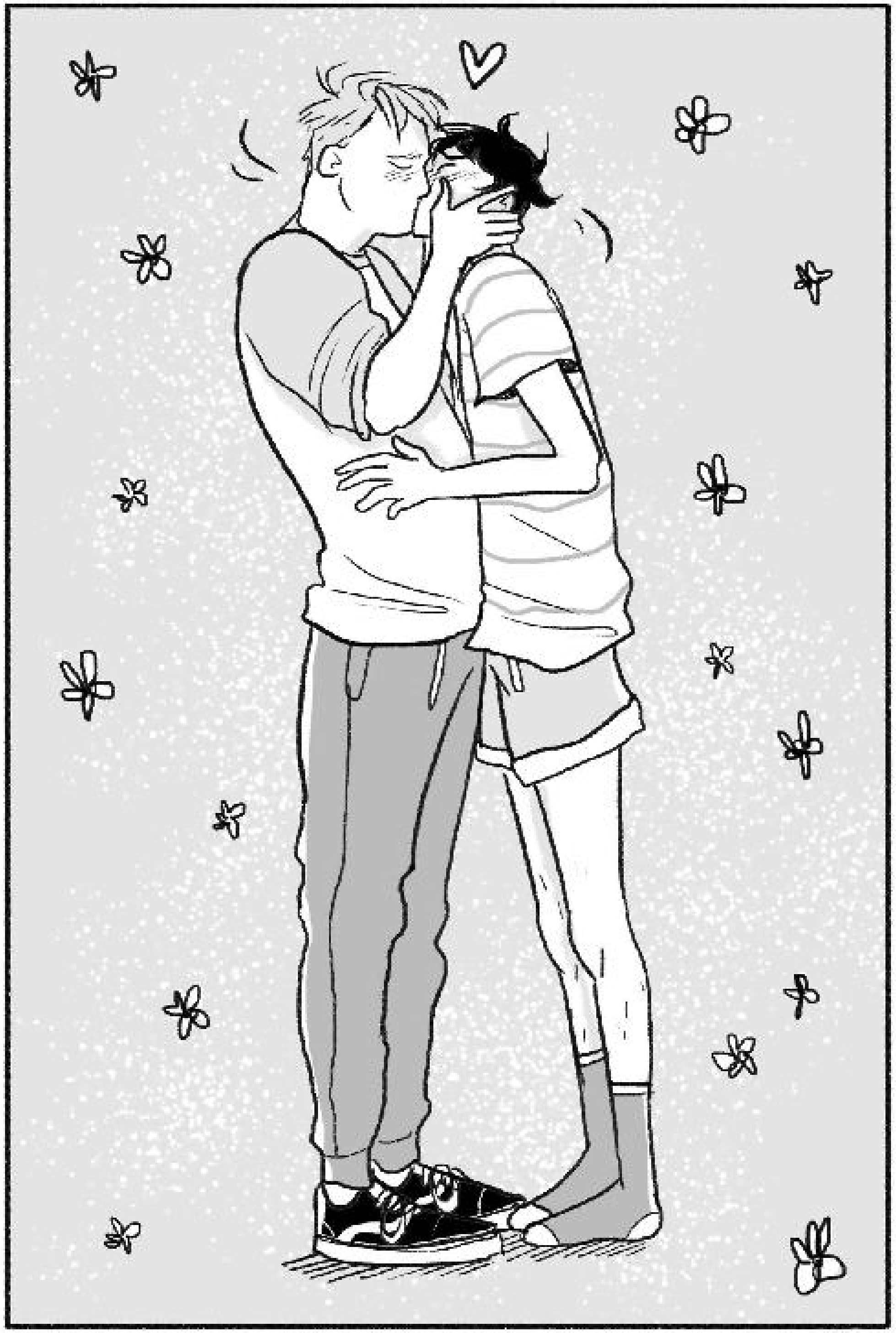

WAIT
WHAT
I'm so sorry, it was- I didn't think properly about what I was doing and it was a stupid thing to do and-
a-and I don't want you to feel awkward about it because it was all my fault
Charlie, hang on-

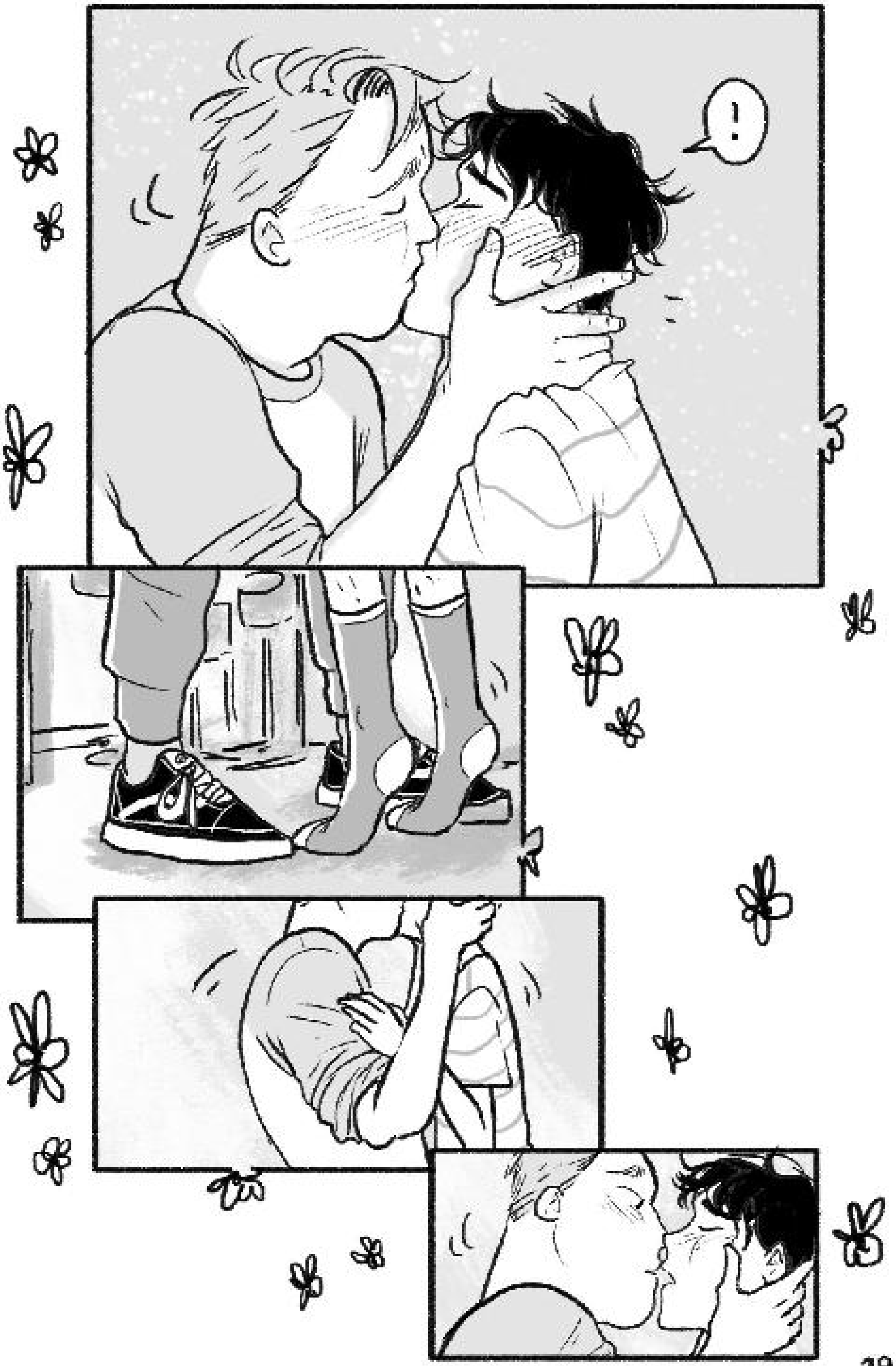

I SHOULDN'T HAVE KISSED YOU
It was so rude and I bet you just felt pressured to do it because I asked
and I know you probably don't want to talk to me **ever again**
UNDRY
Um... Charlie-

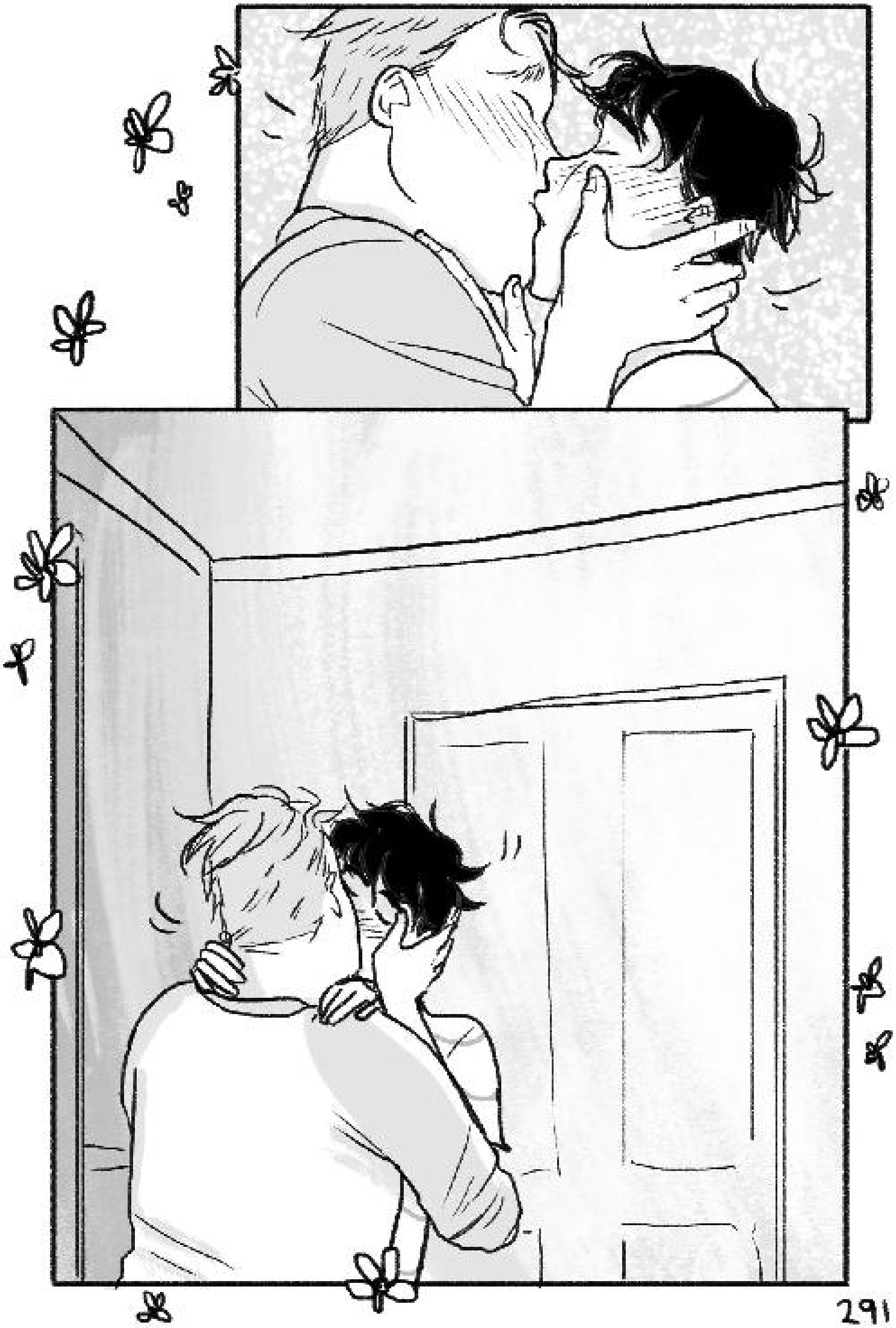

Which is FAIR ENOUGH
I'd completely understand
the Str
LAUNDRY
Charlie..

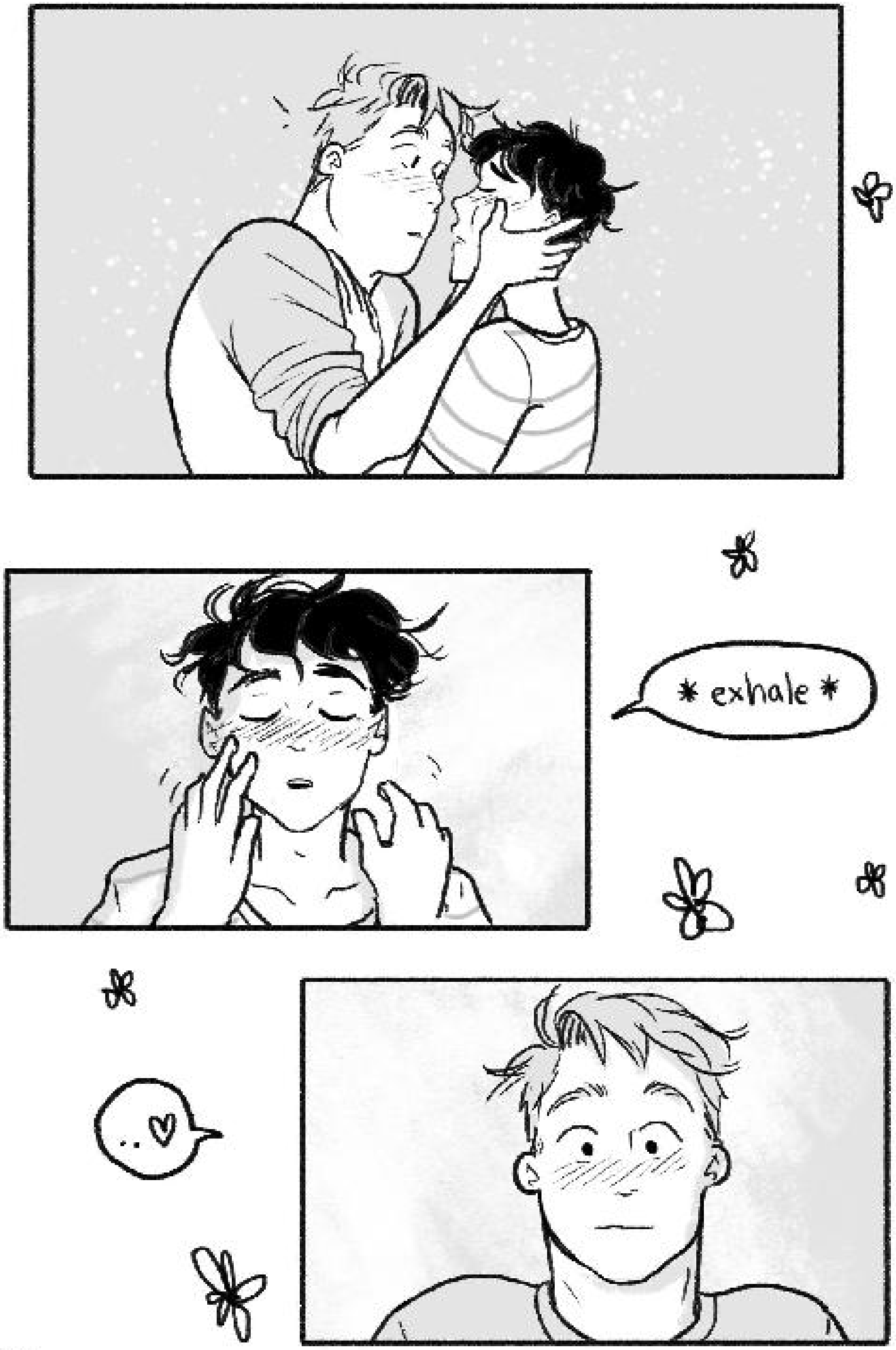

but I had to at least say sorry
STEP
a-and see if maybe-
Charlie-
-there's a chance we could still be friends

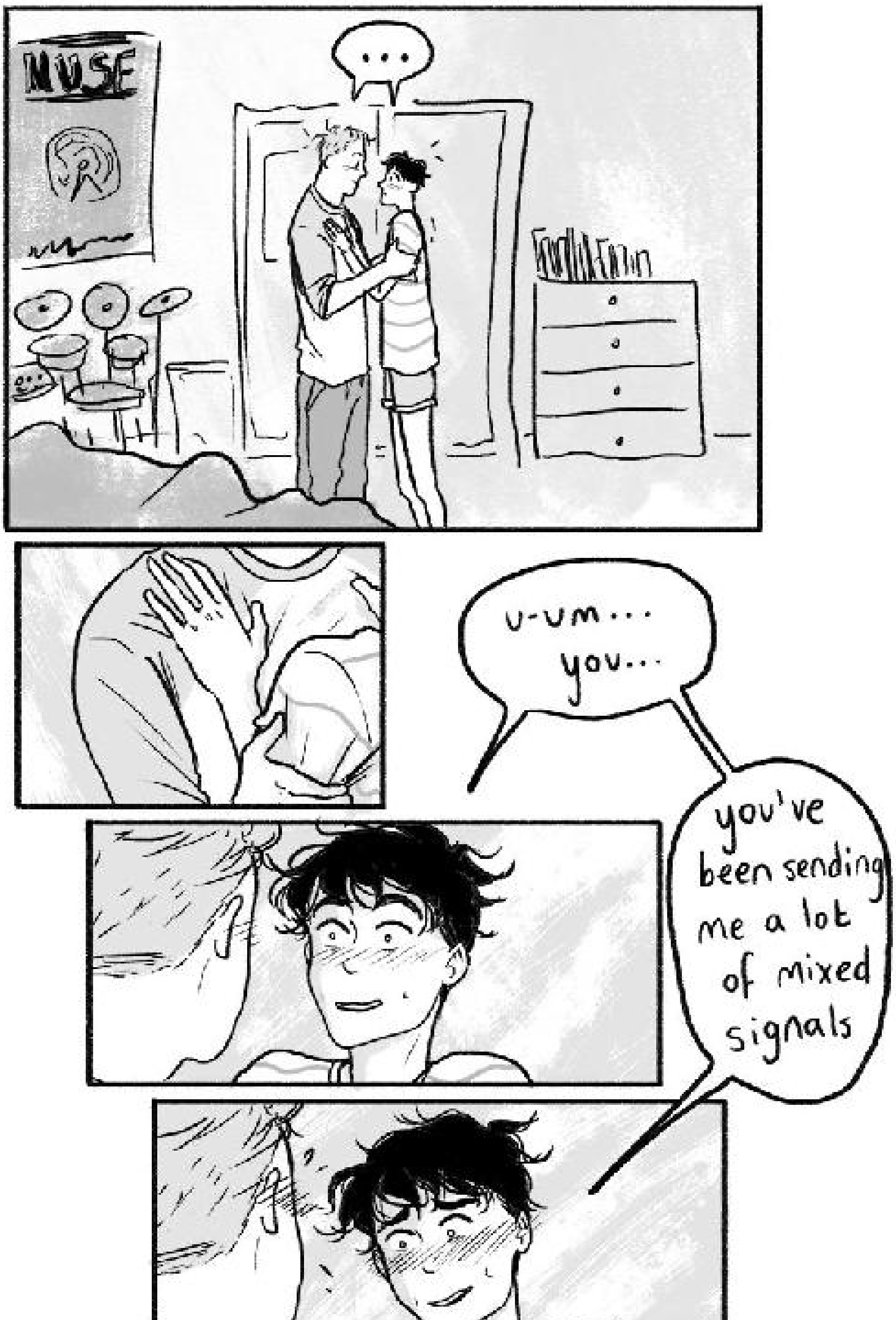

I DON'T WANT TO LOSE YOU BECAUSE I DID SOMETHING STUPID
Charlie
Charlie
You're p-probably the best friend
I've
e-ever
had

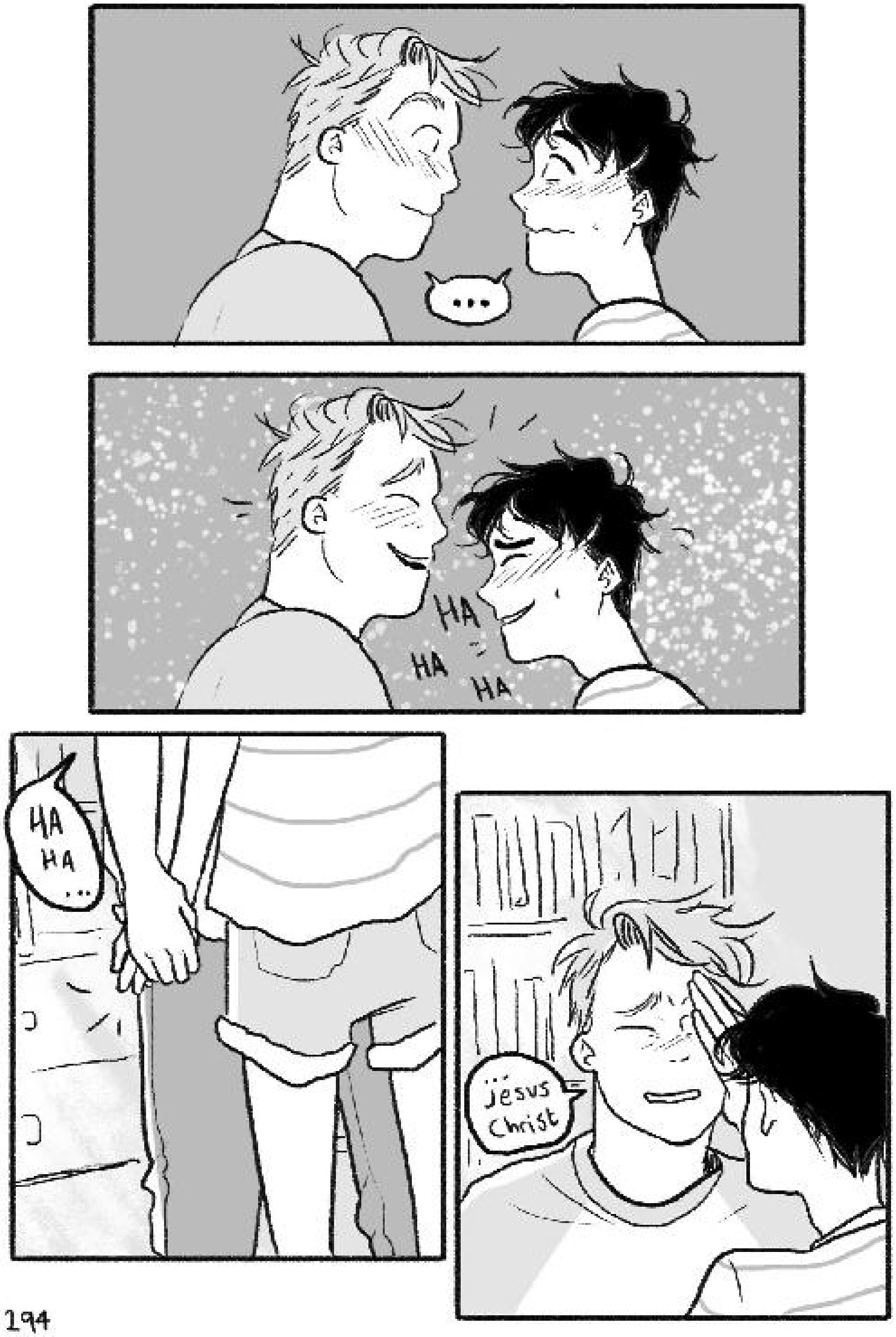


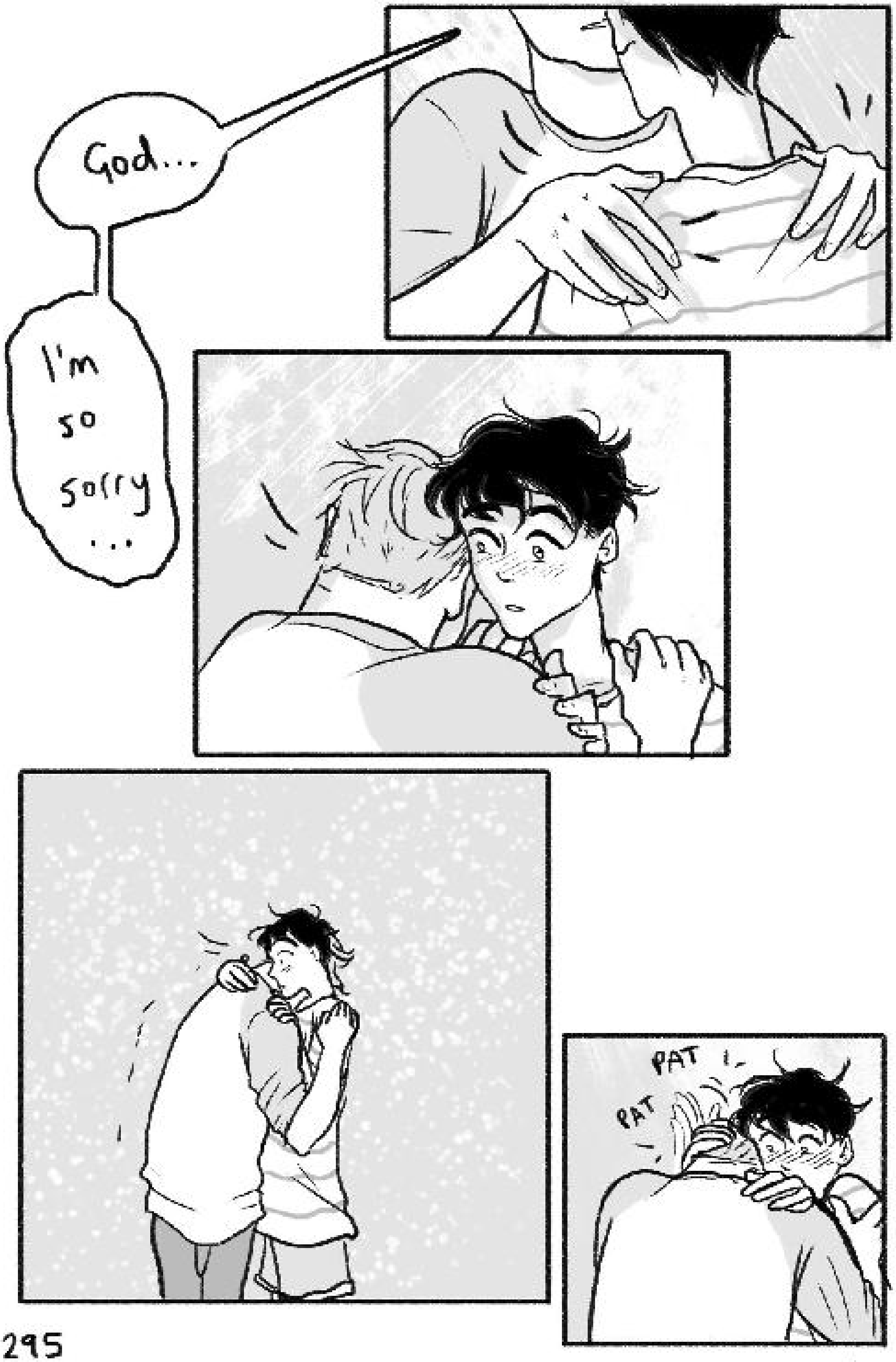


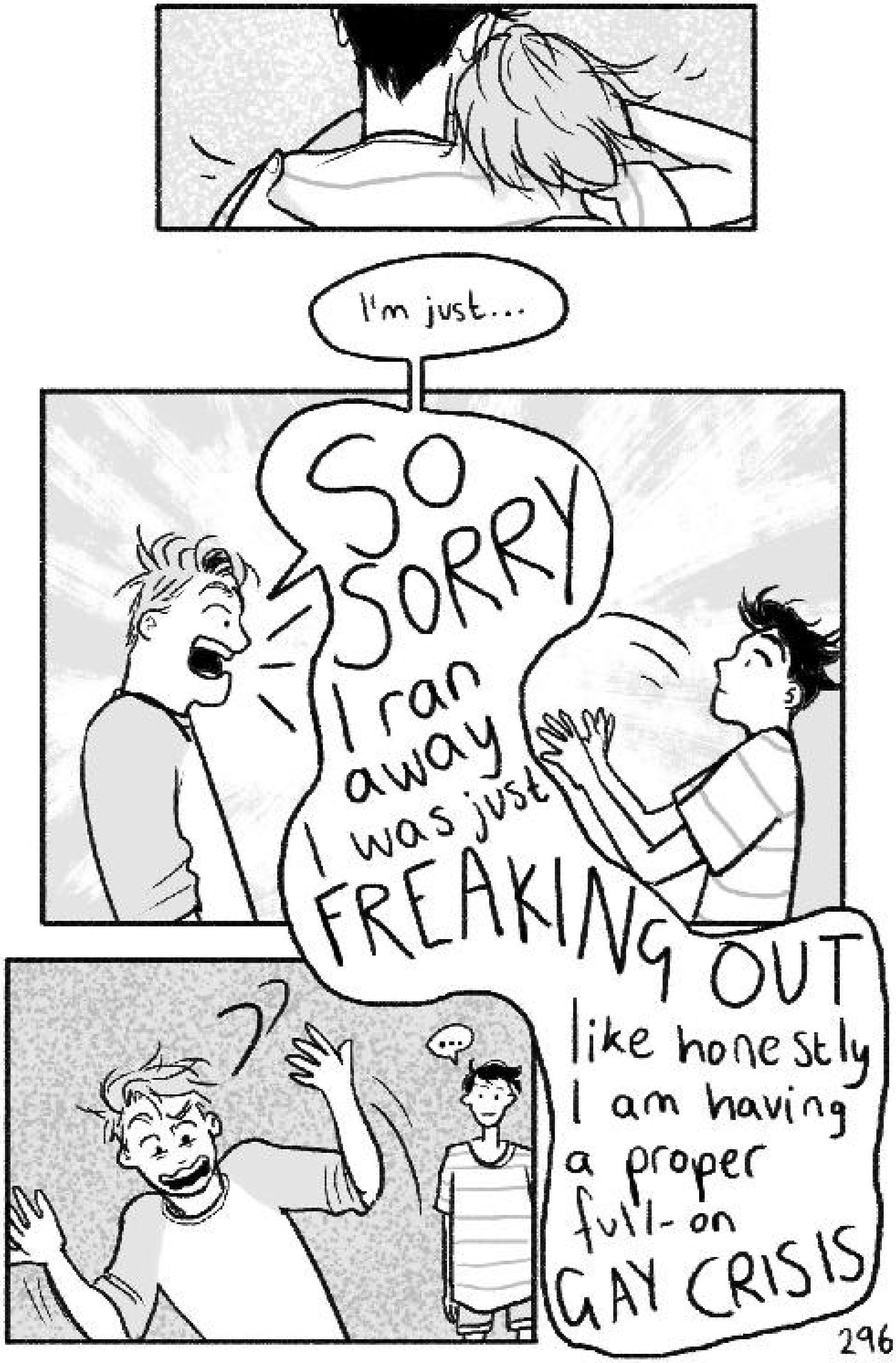


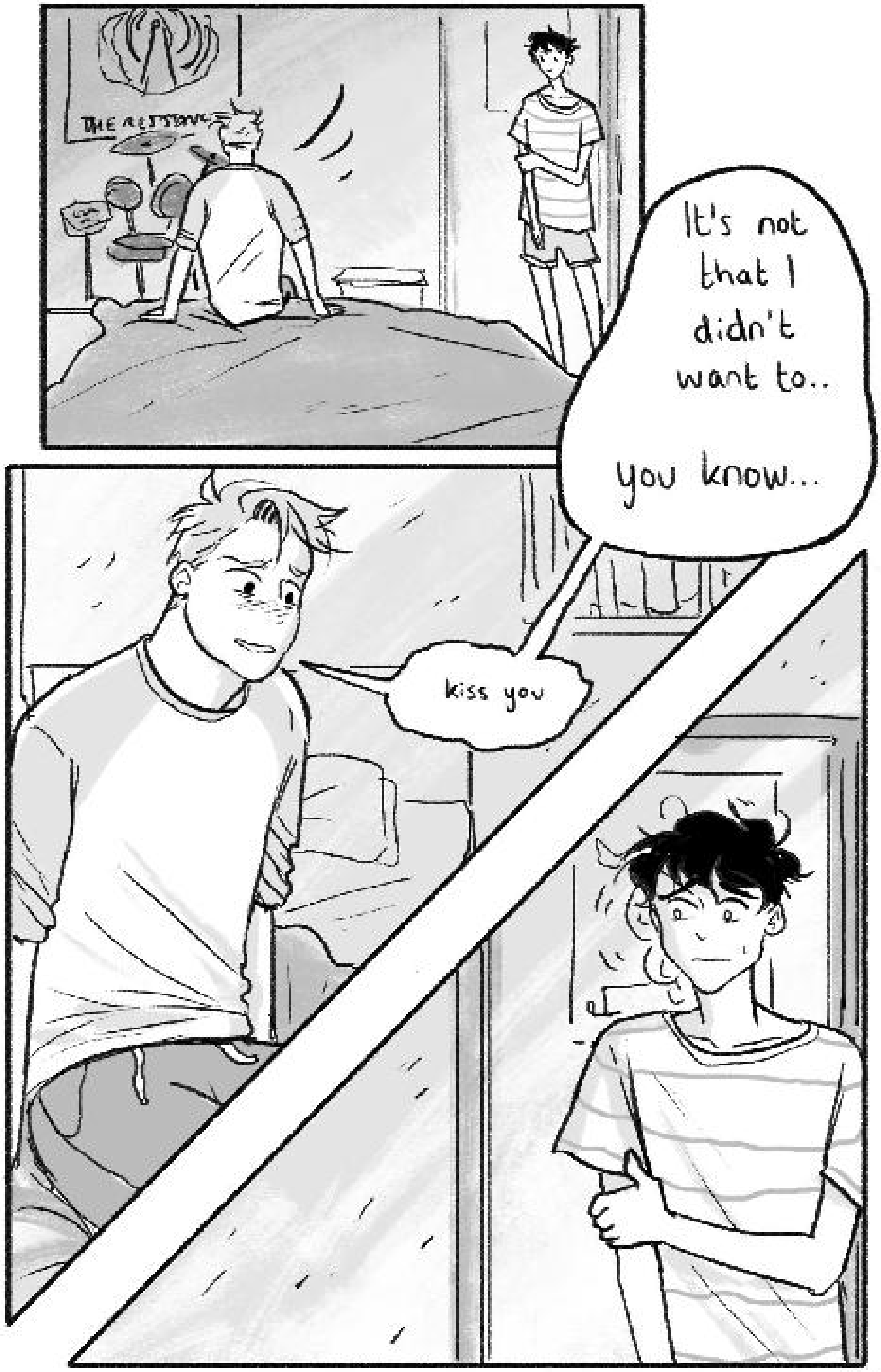

* exhale *
..♡


MUSE
...
u-um...
you...
you've been sending me a lot of mixed signals

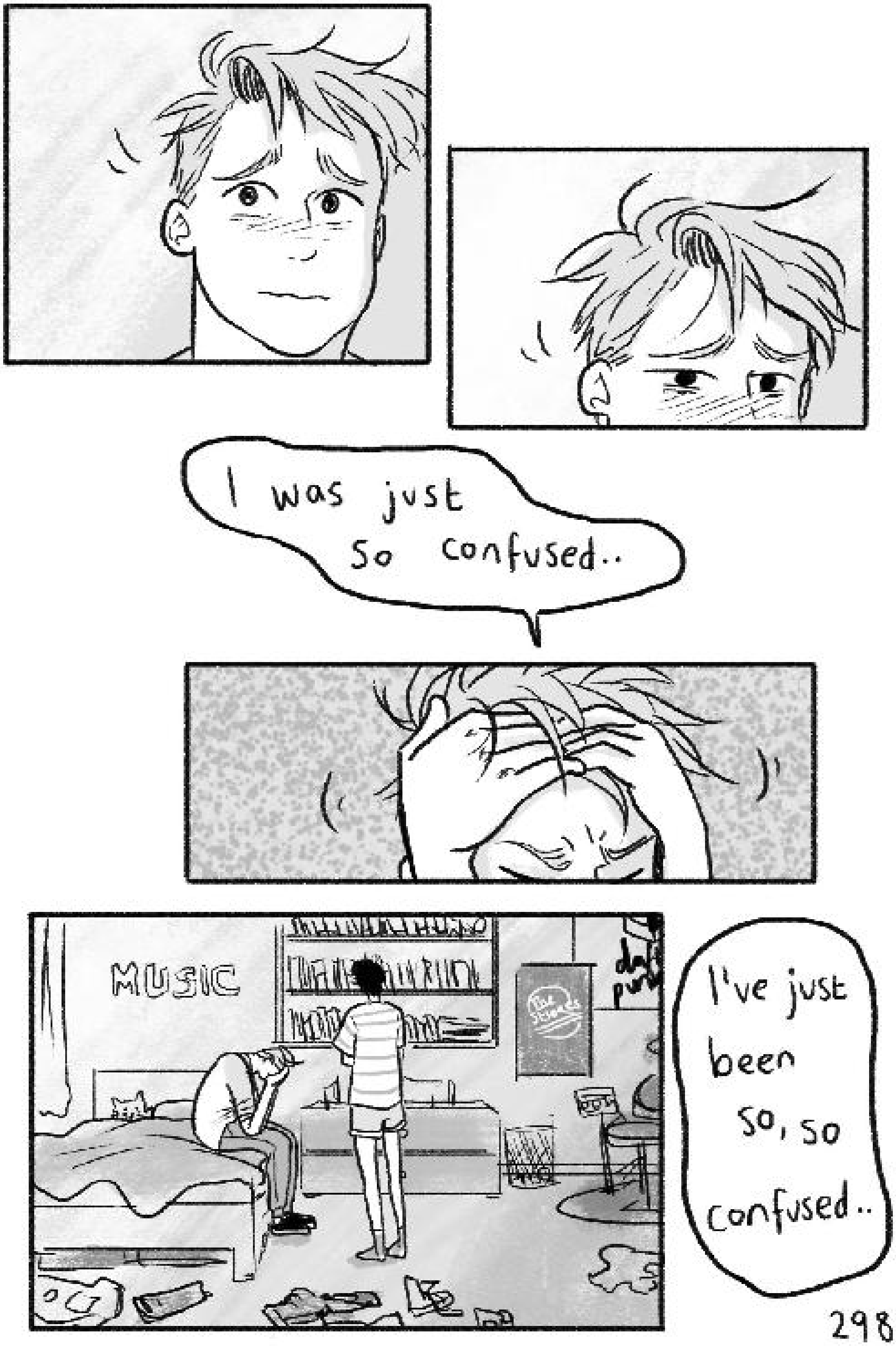

...
HA
HA
HA
HA
HA ...
..Jesus Christ

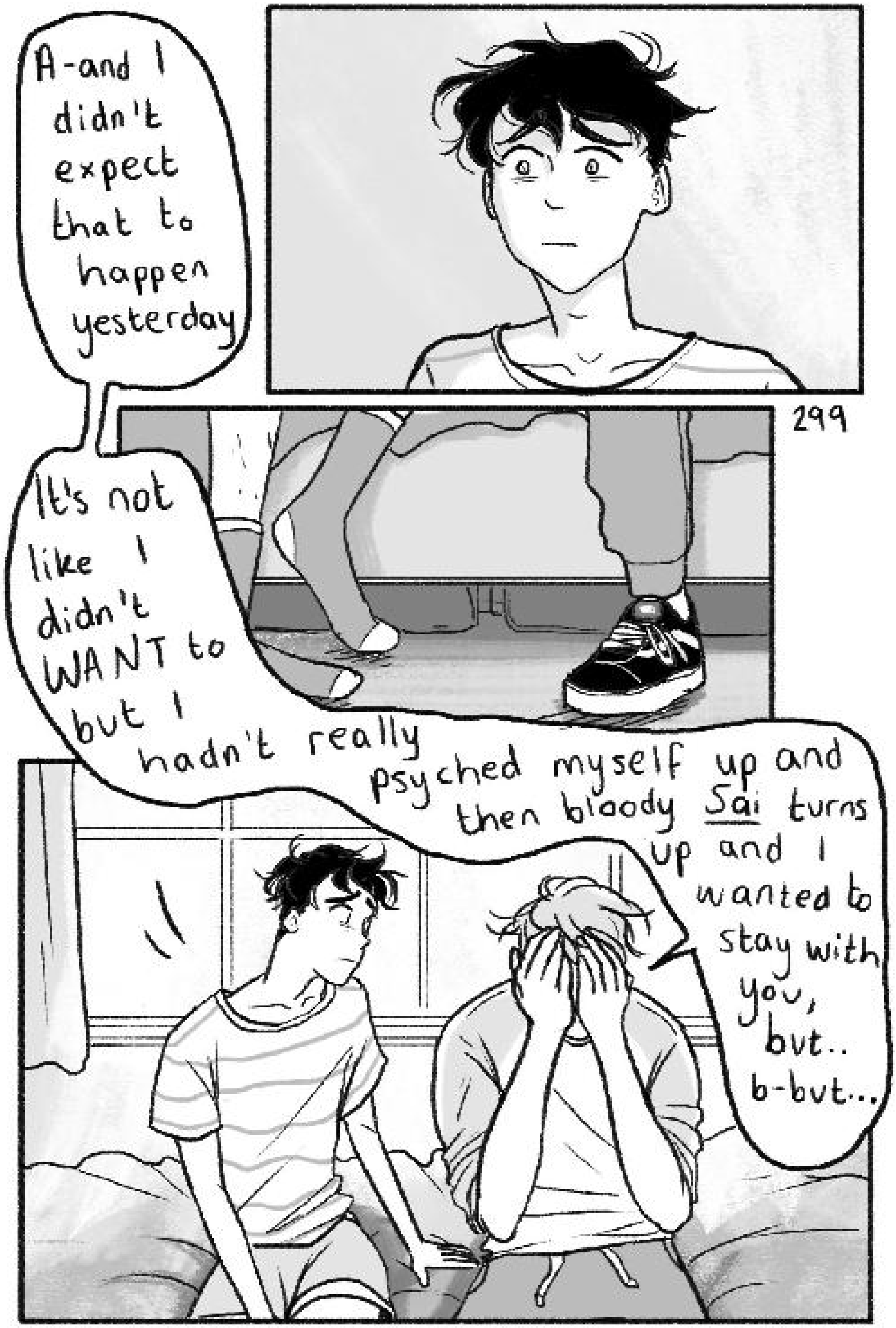

God...
I'm so sorry...
PAT PAT

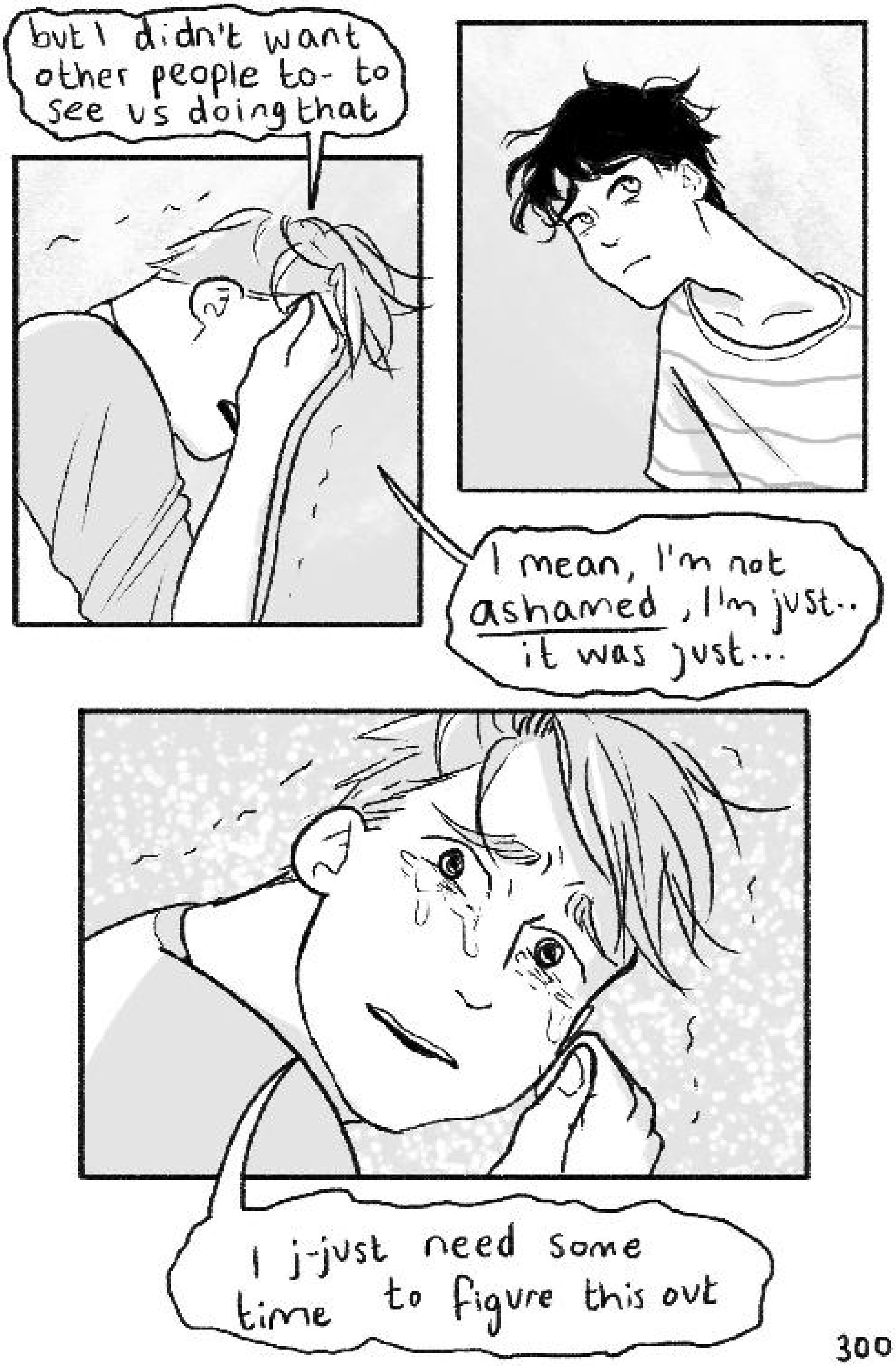

I'm just...
SO SORRY I ran away I was just FREAKING OUT like honestly I am having a proper full-on GAY CRISIS
...

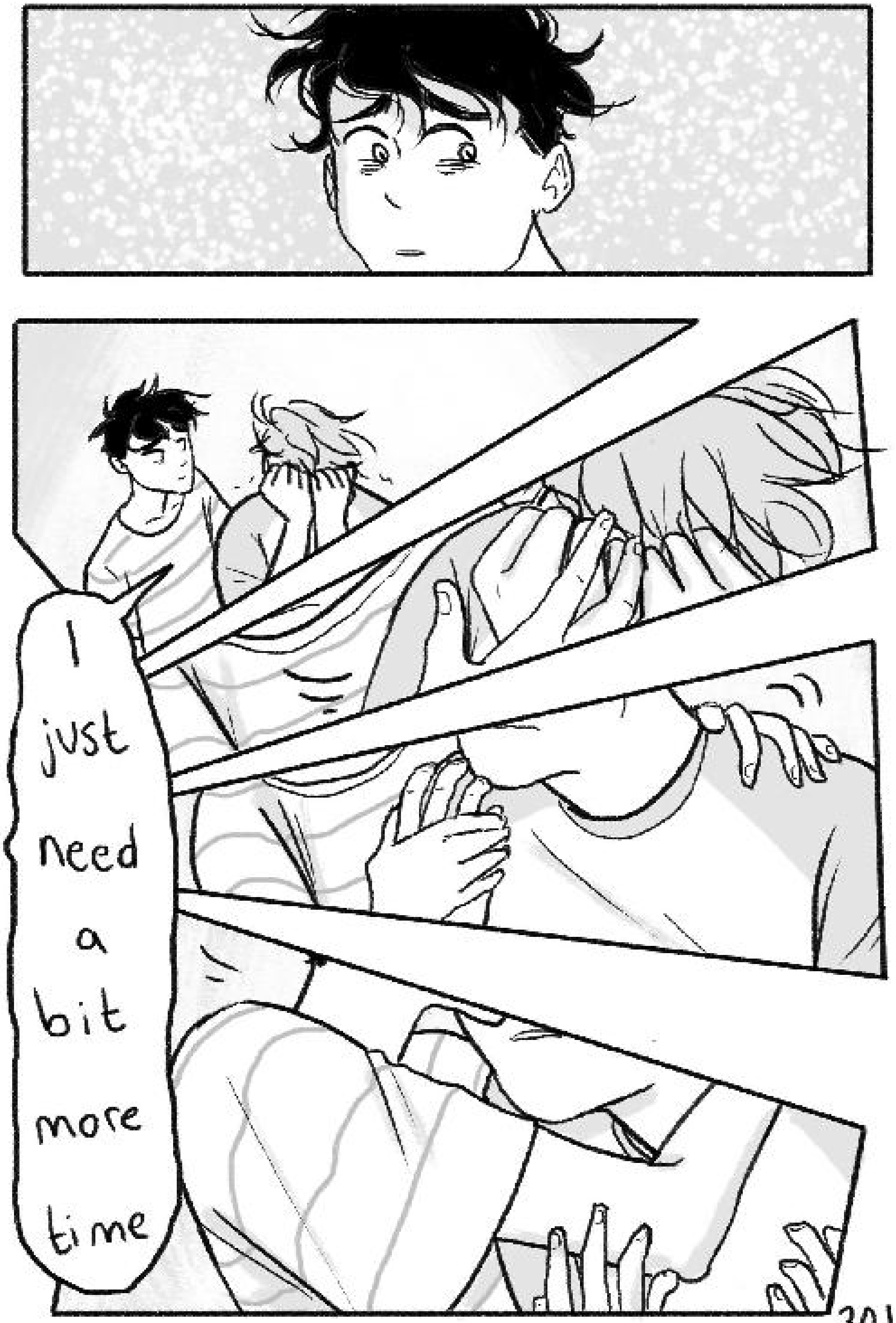

It's not that I didn't want to..

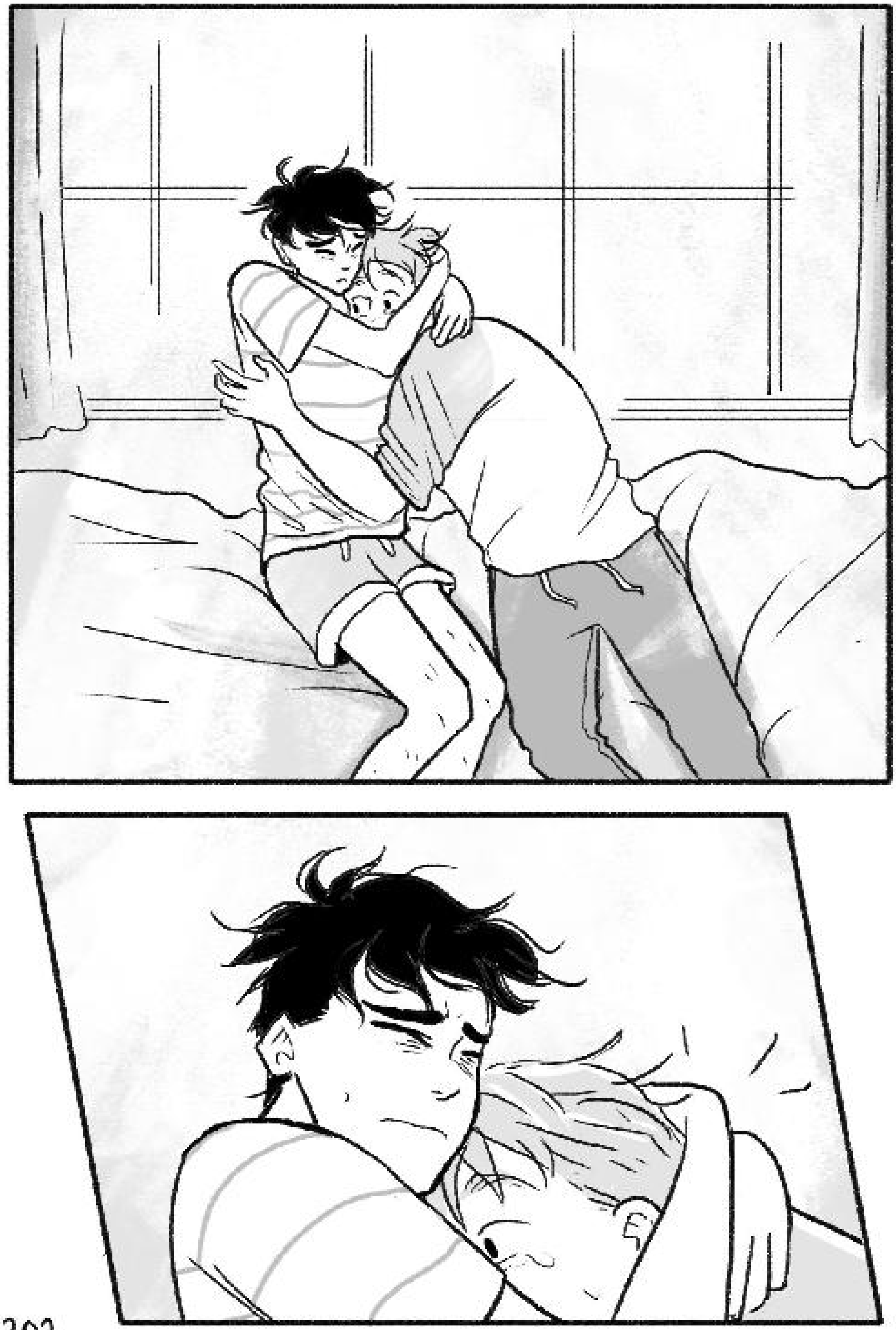
you know...
kiss you

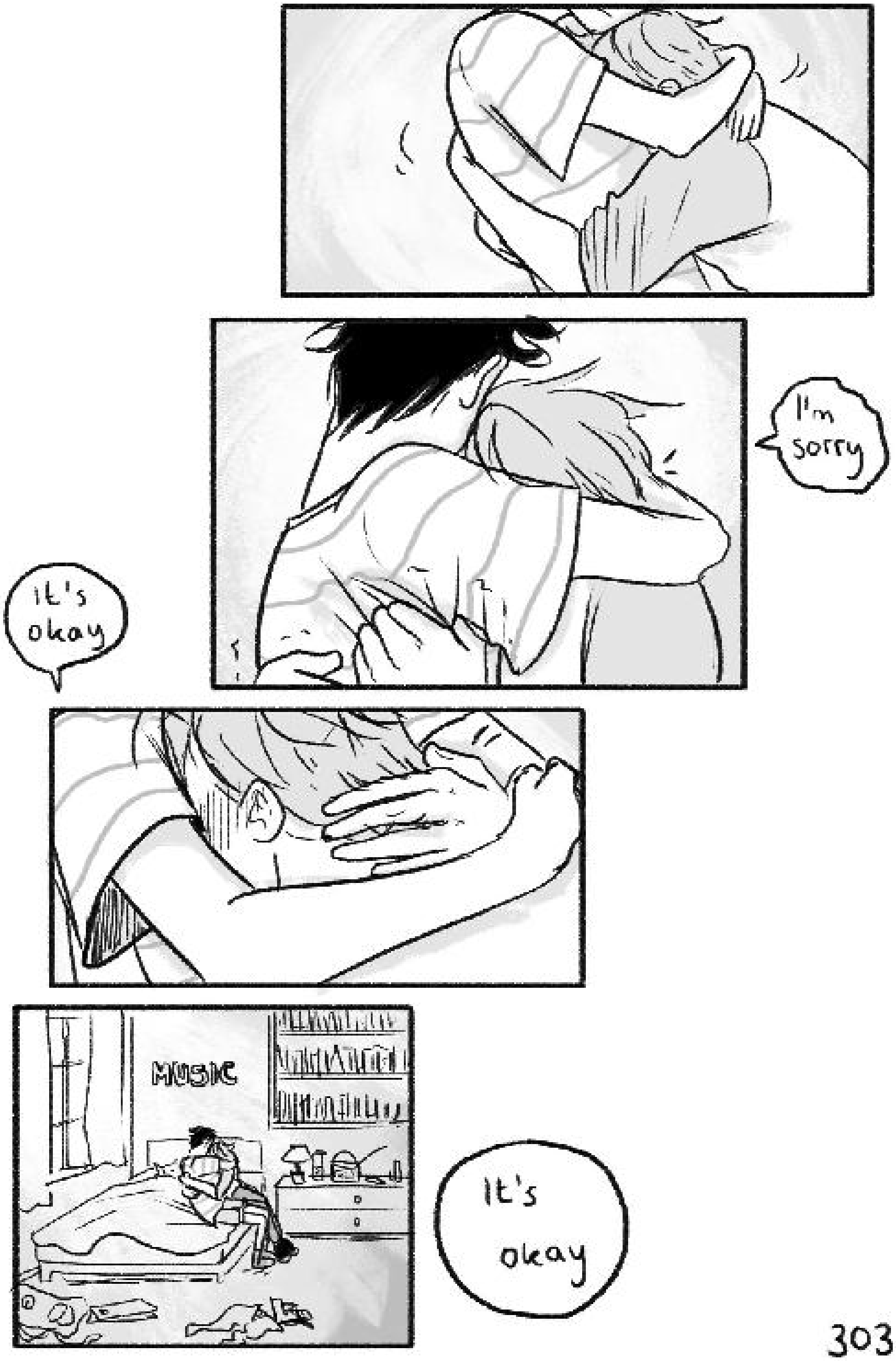

I was just so confused..
MUSIC
I've just been so, so confused..

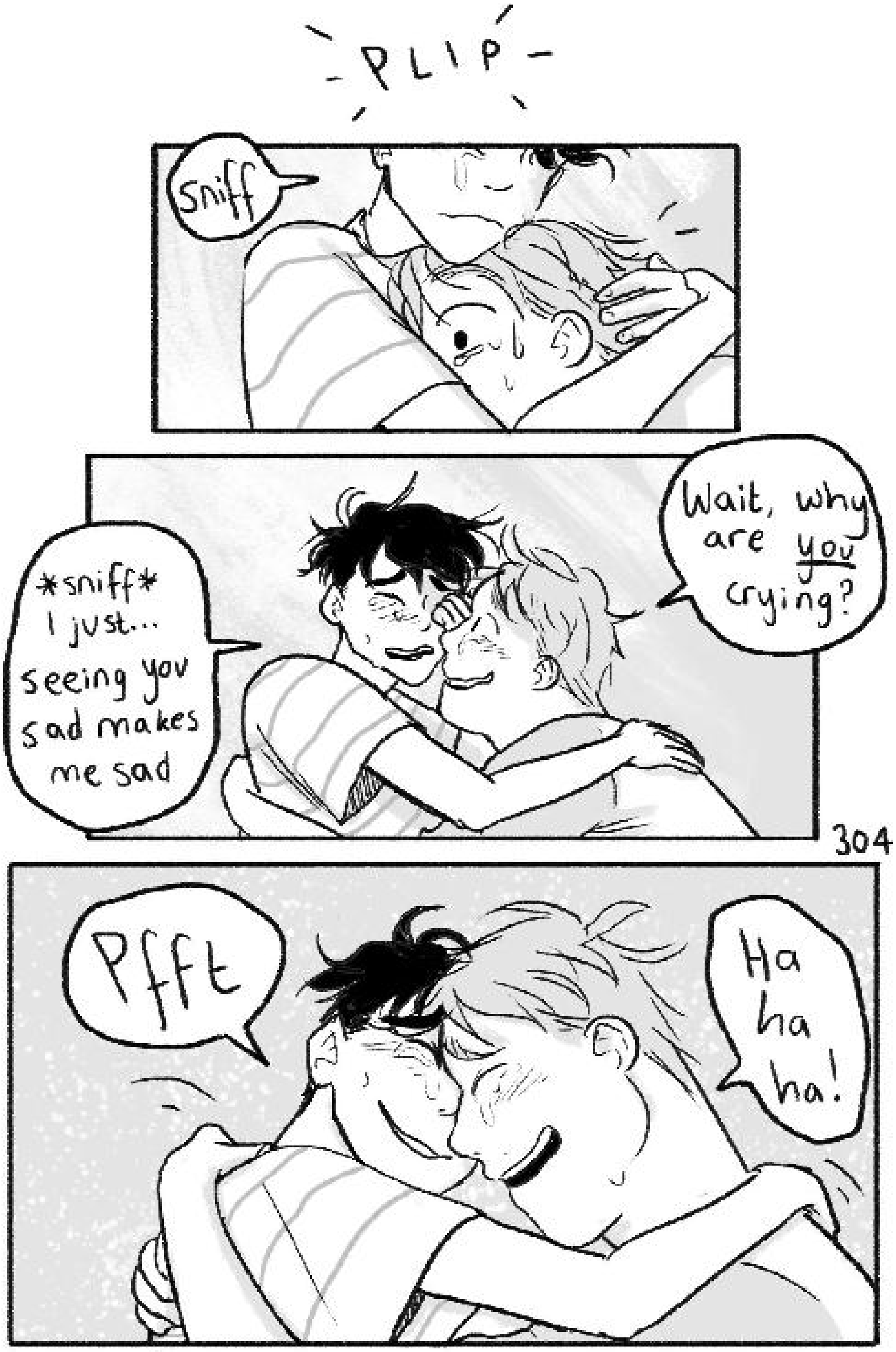

A-and I didn't expect that to happen yesterday
It's not like I didn't WANT to but I hadn't really psyched myself up and then bloody Sai turns up and I wanted to stay with you, but.. b-but...

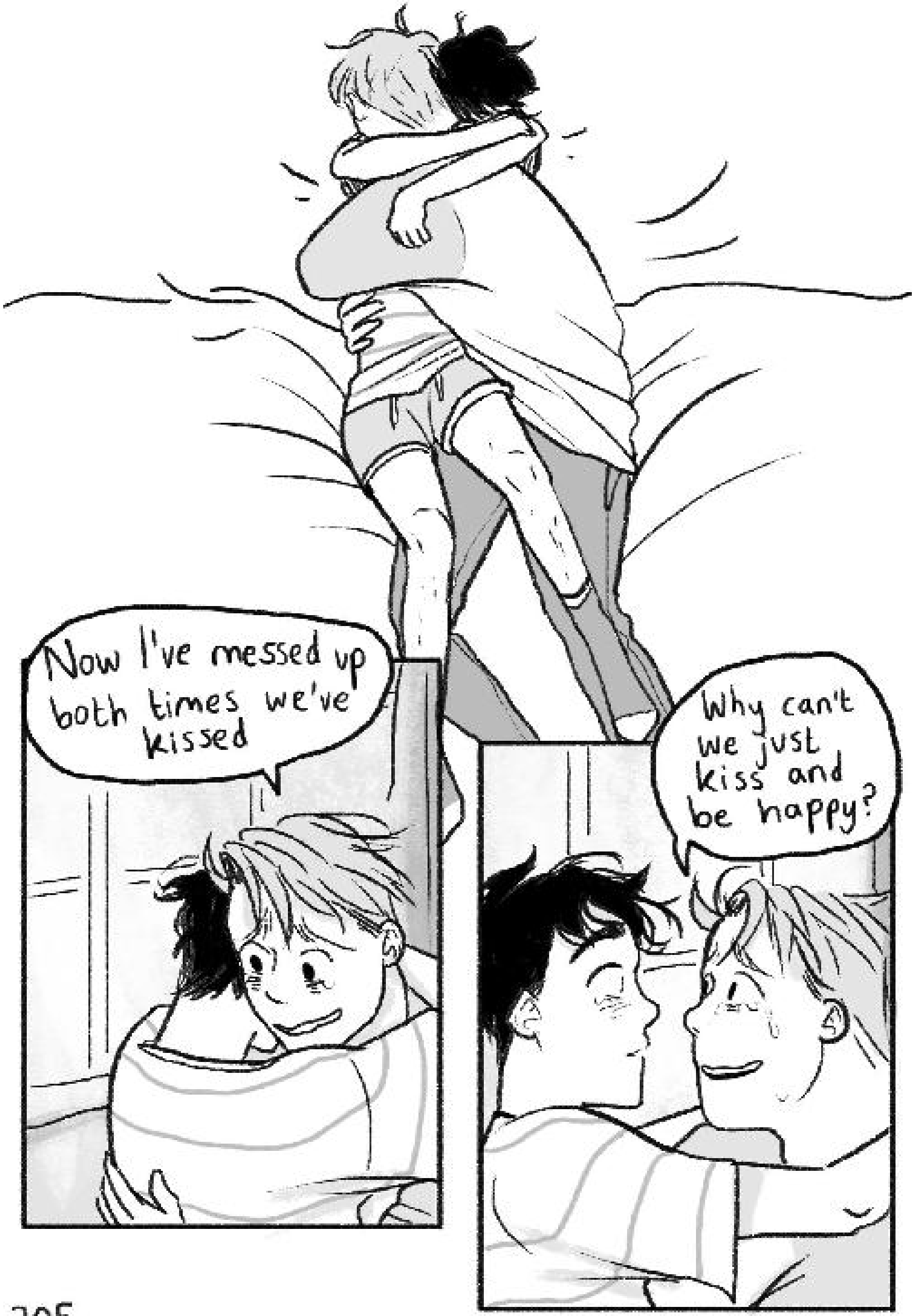

but I didn't want other people to- to see us doing that
I mean, I'm not ashamed, I'm just.. it was just...
I j-just need some time to figure this out

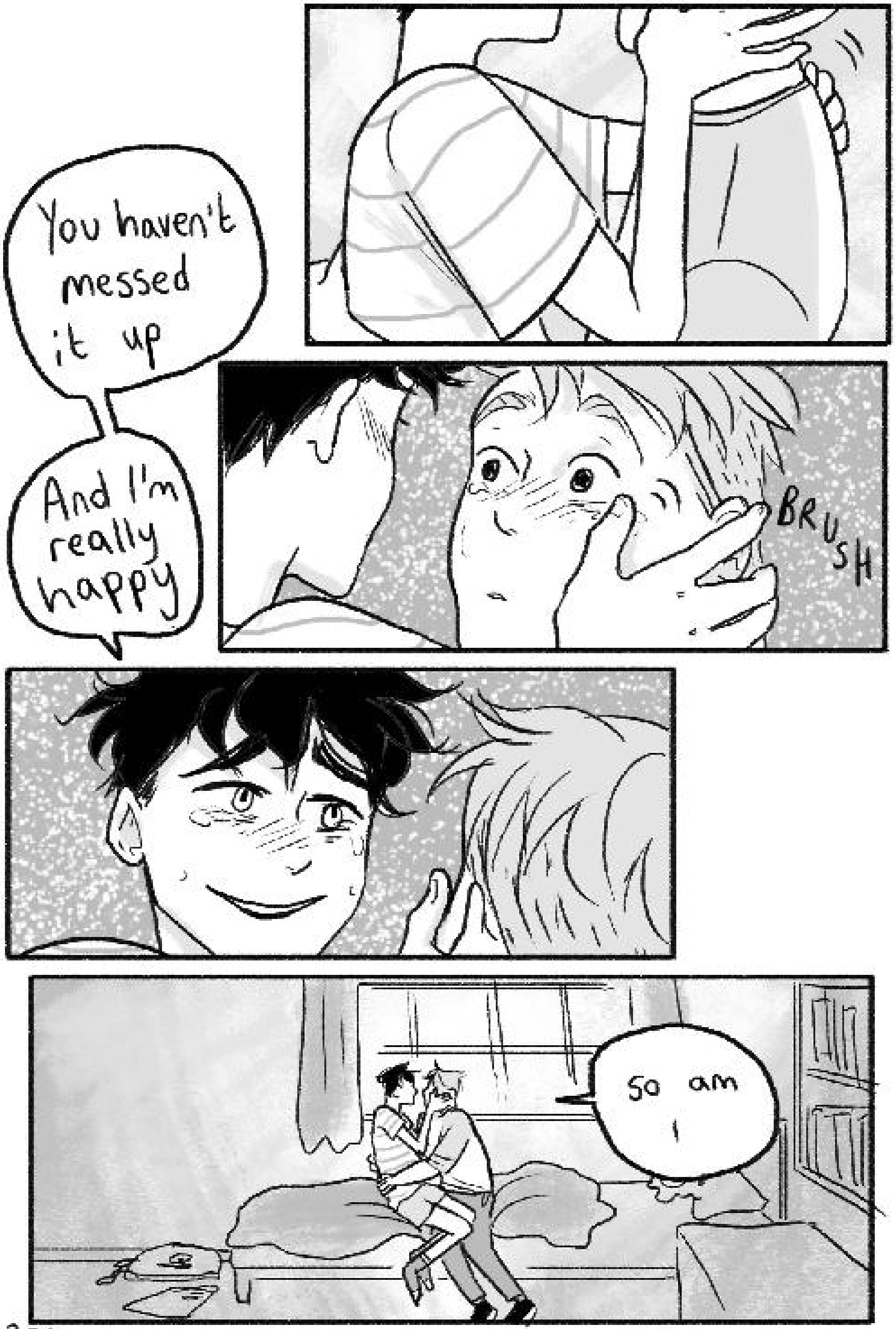

I just need a bit more time

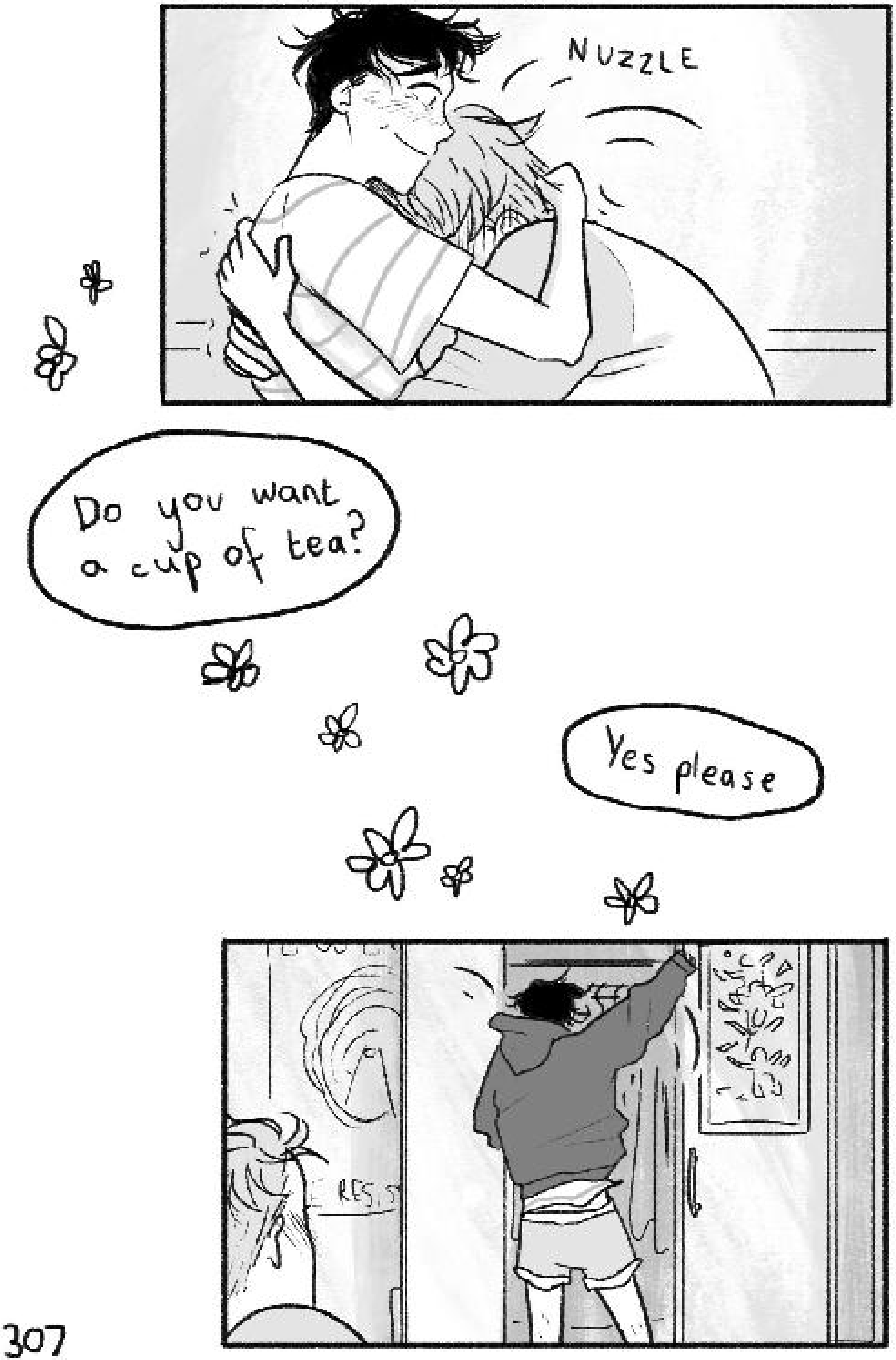


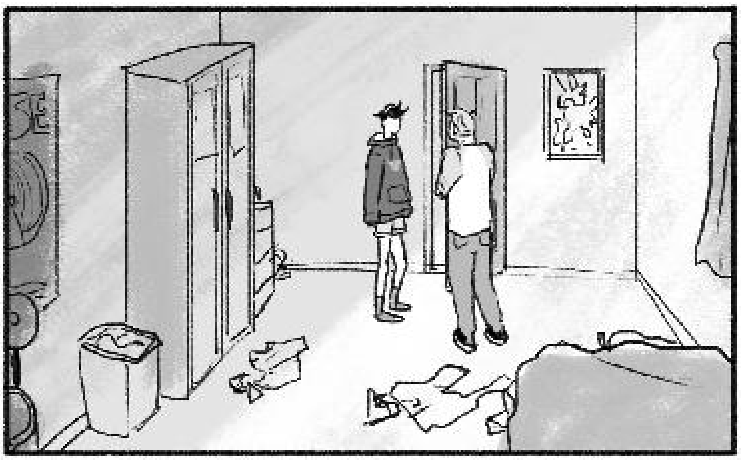

I'm sorry
It's okay
MUSIC
It's okay

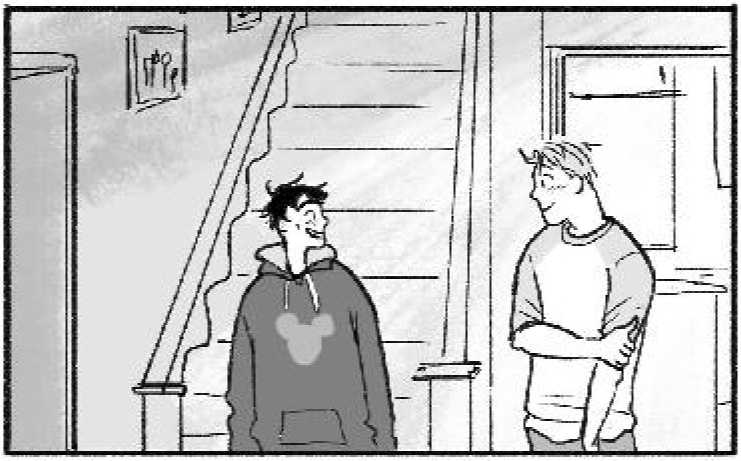

PLIP
Sniff
sniff I just... seeing you sad makes me sad
Wait, why are you crying?
304
Pfft
Ha ha ha!

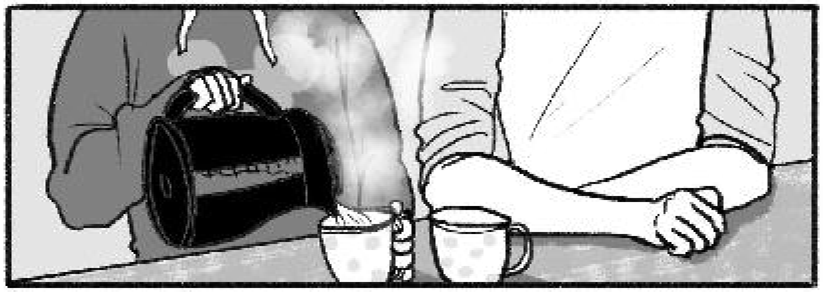

Now I've messed up both times we've kissed
Why can't we just kiss and be happy?

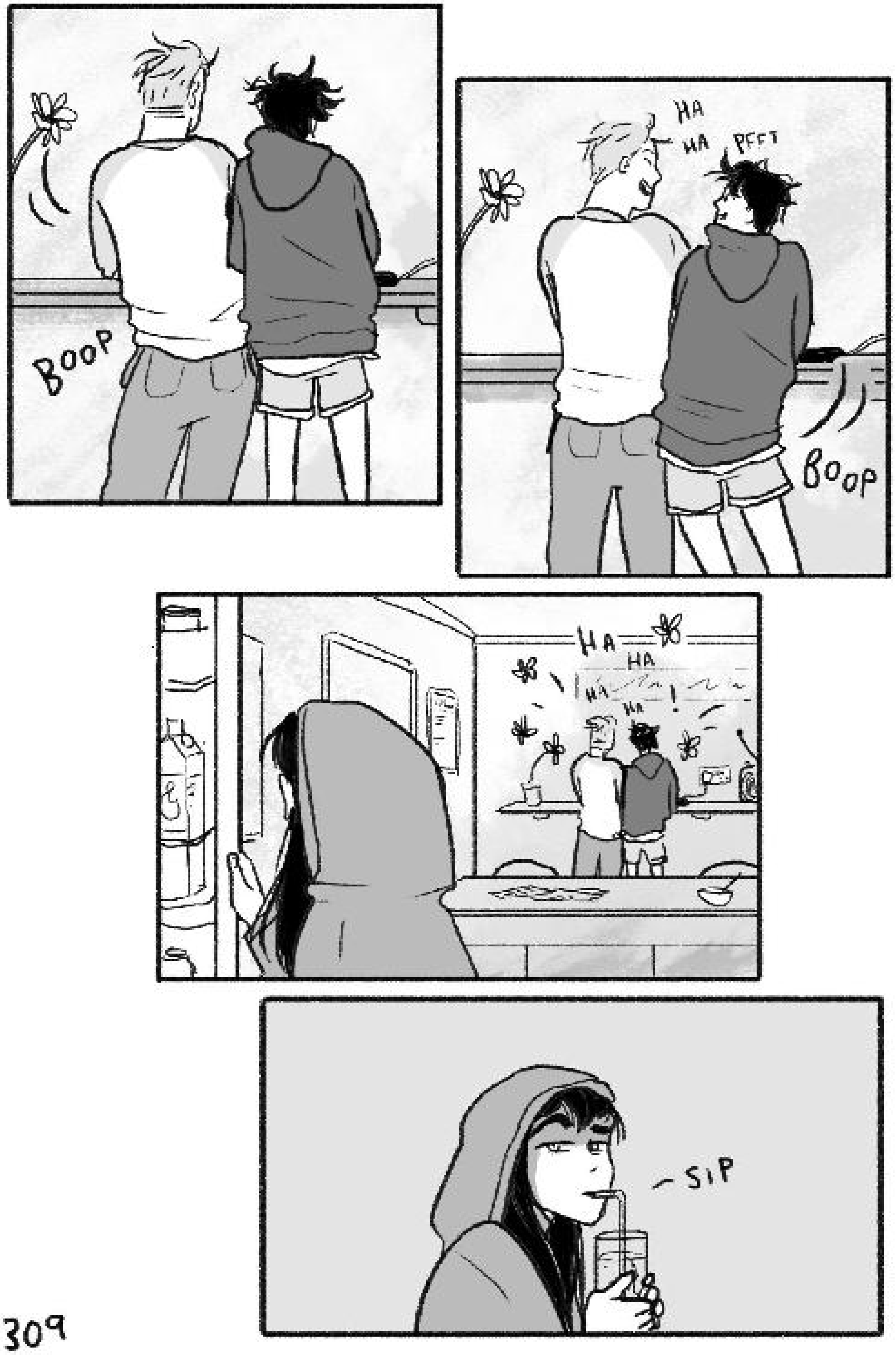

You haven't messed it up
And I'm really happy
BRUSH
So am I

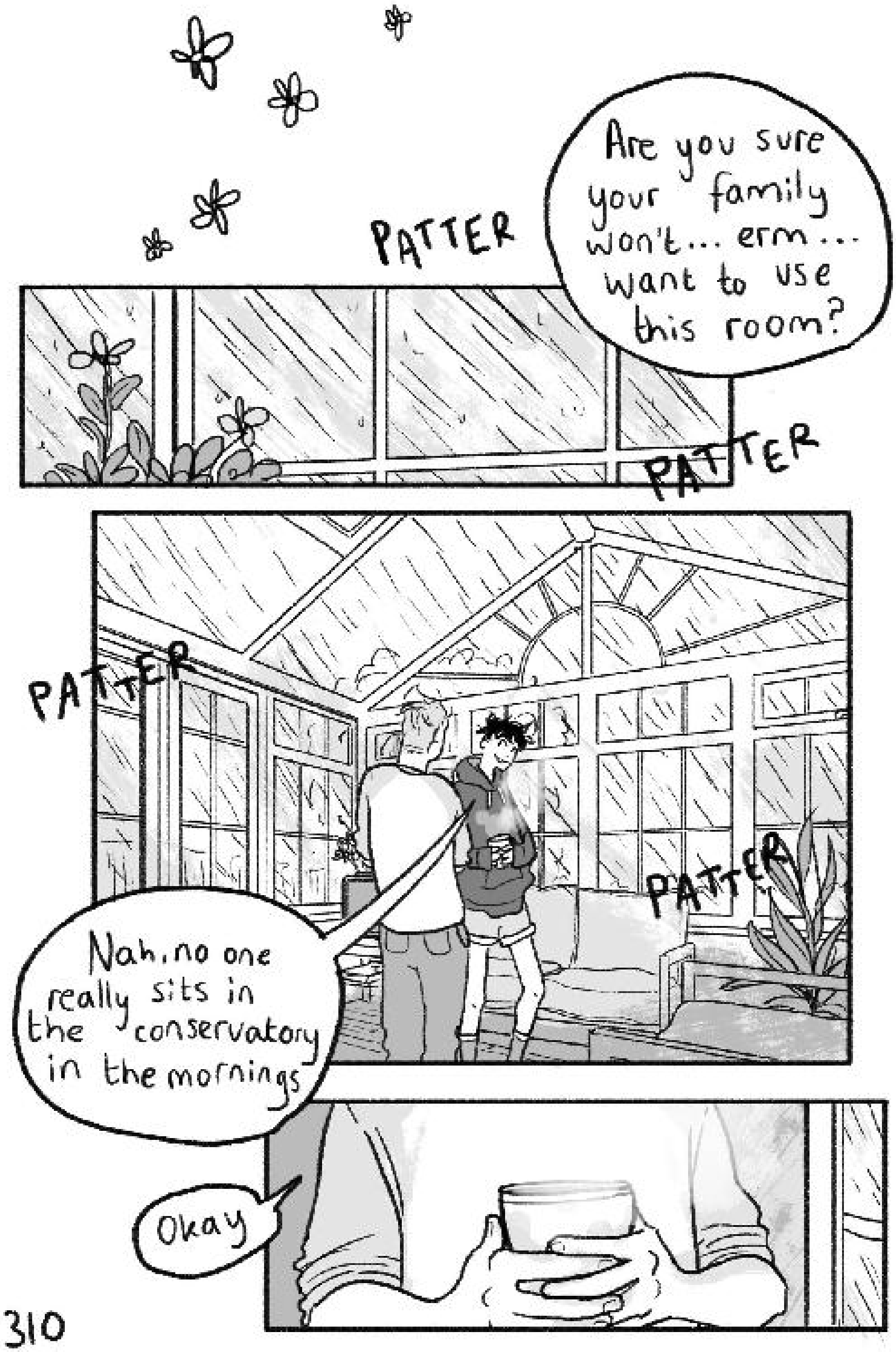

NUZZLE
Do you want a cup of tea?
Yes please

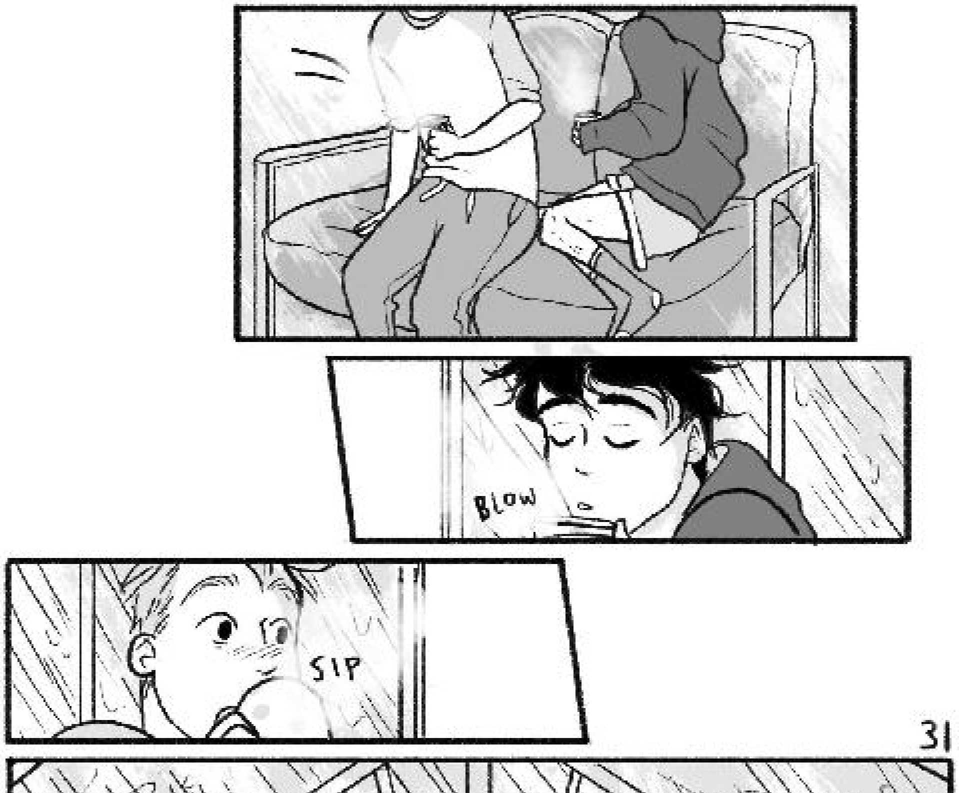


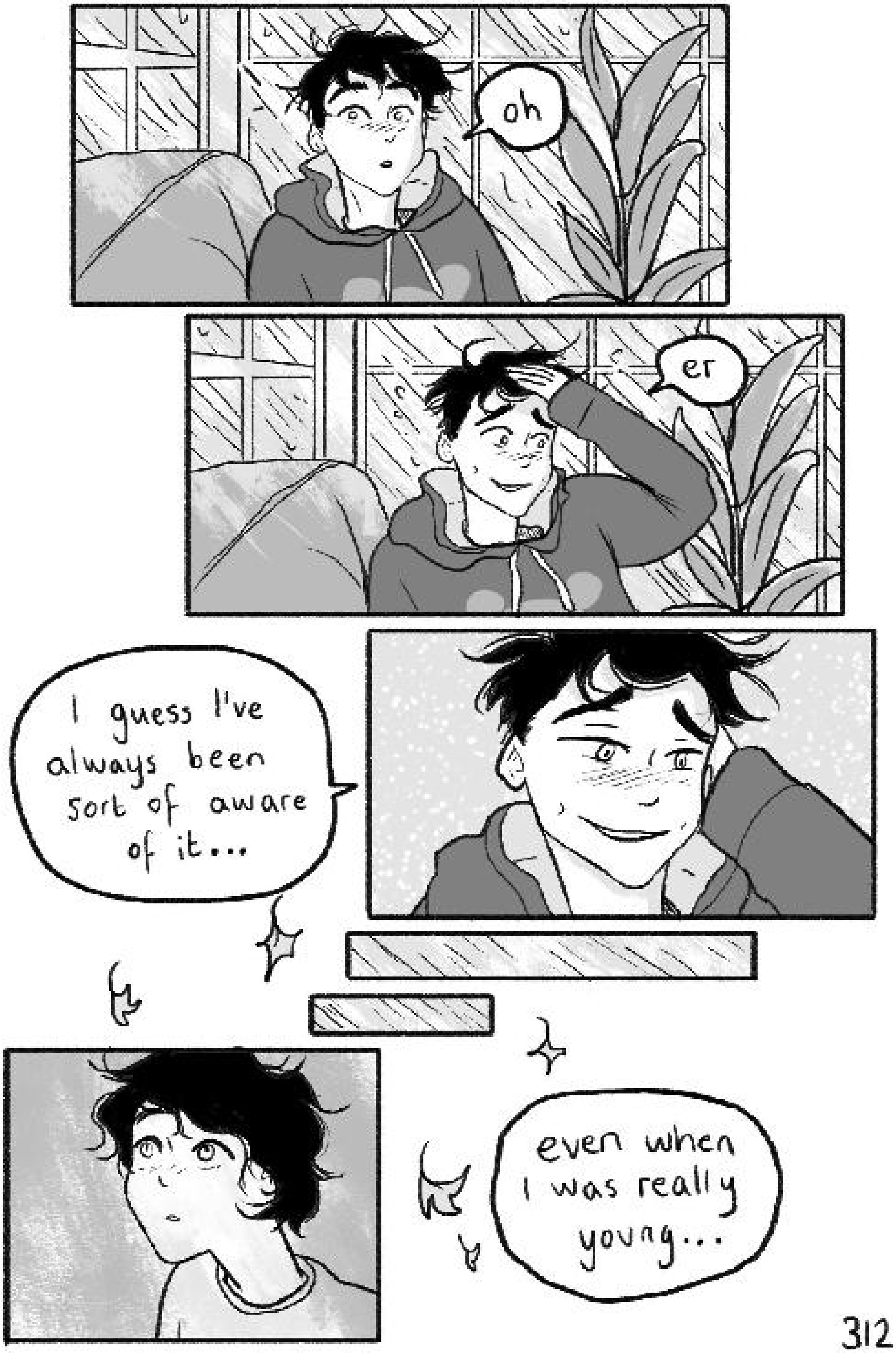


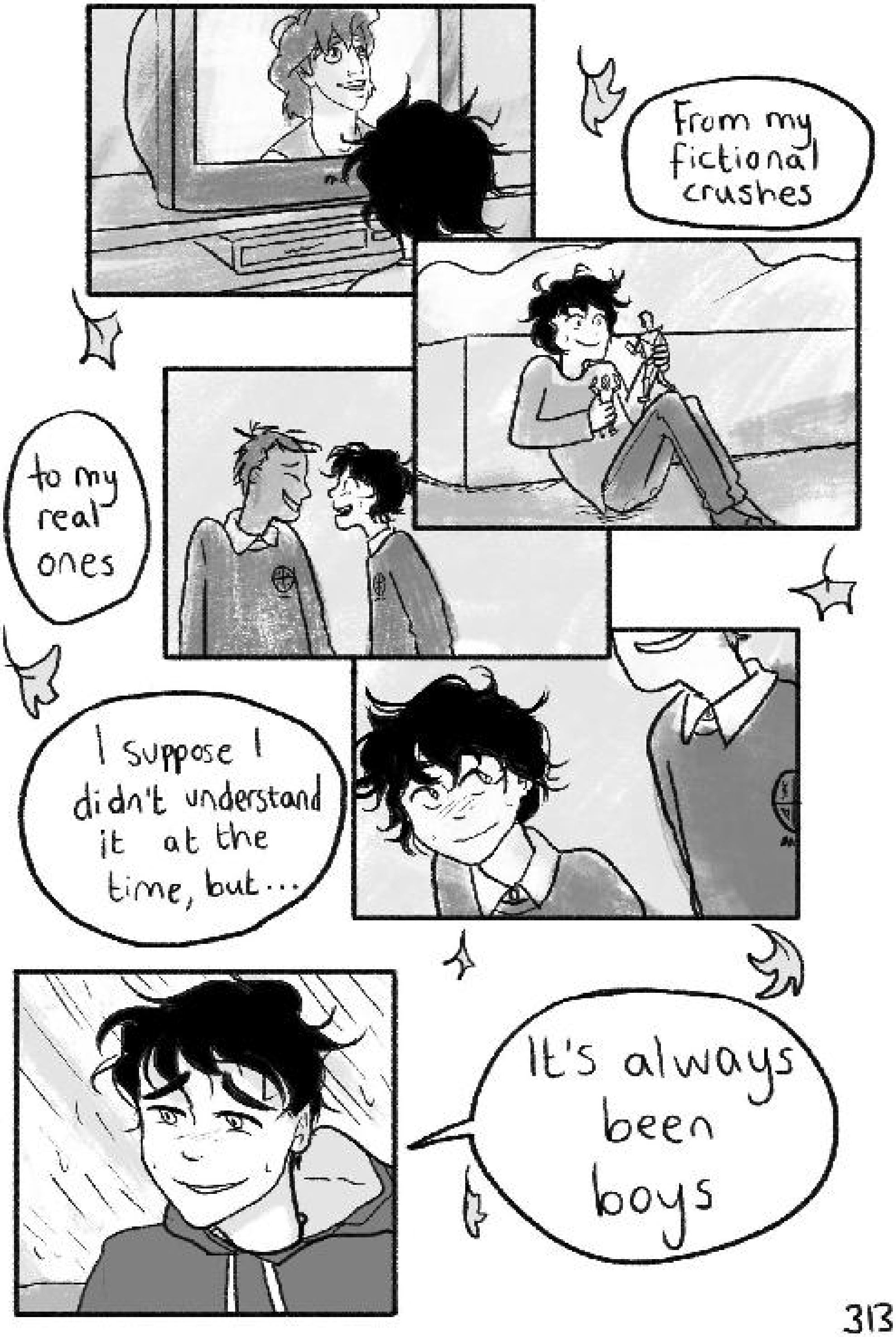


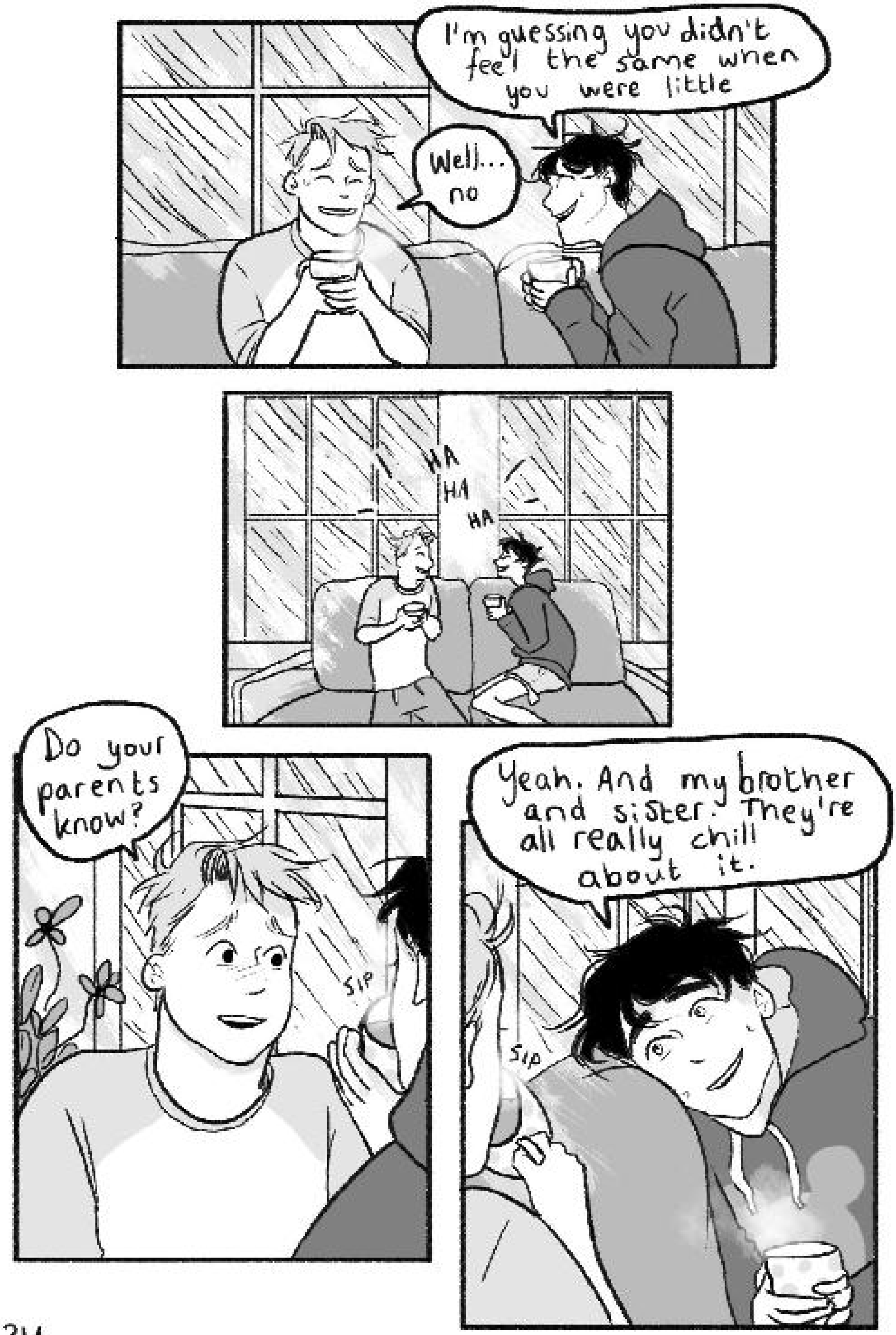

BOOP
HA
HA
PFFT
BOOP
HA
HA
HA
HA
!
~SIP

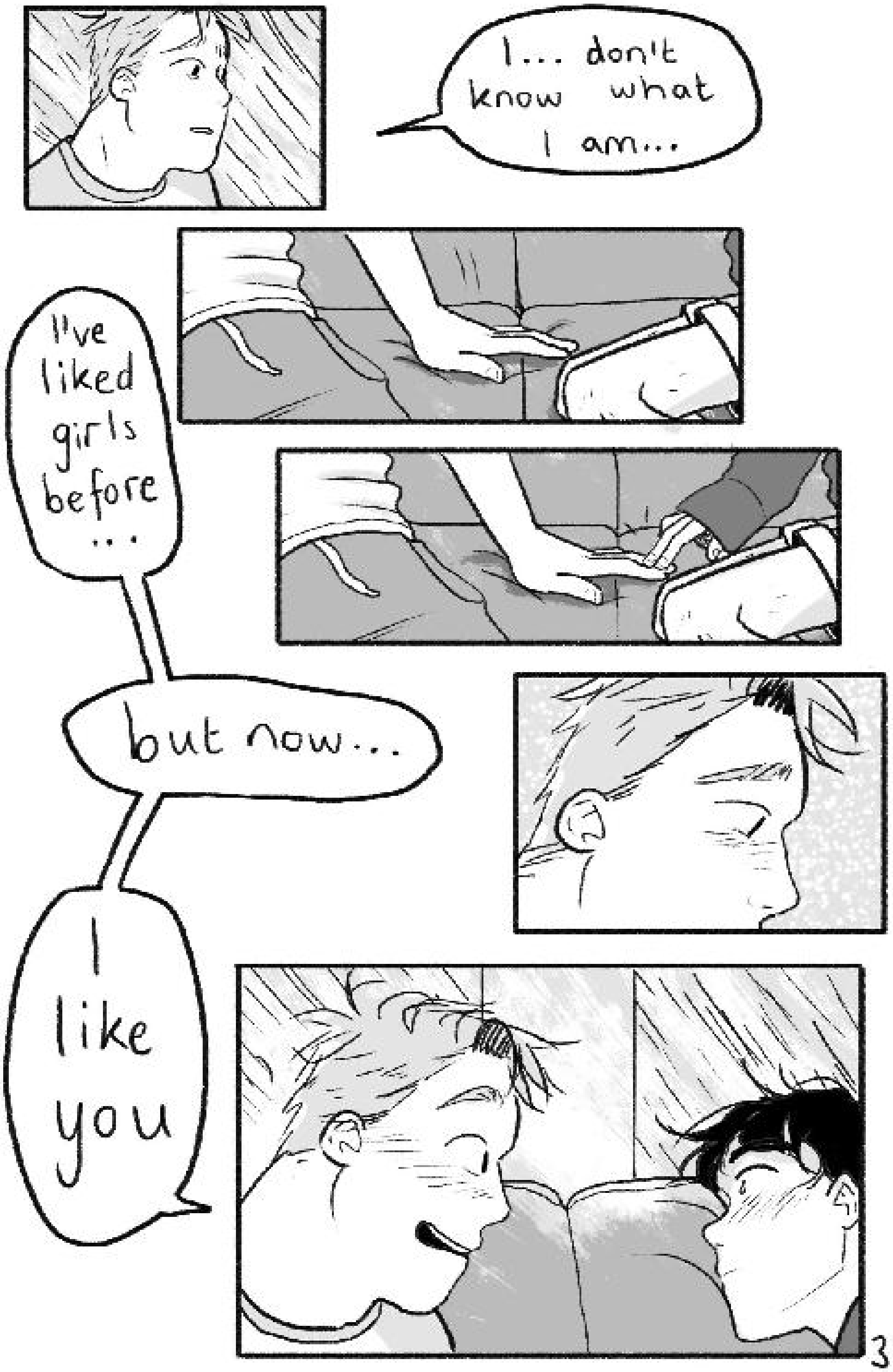

PATTER
Are you sure your family won't... erm... want to use this room?
PATTER
PATTER
PATTER
Nah, no one really sits in the conservatory in the mornings
Okay

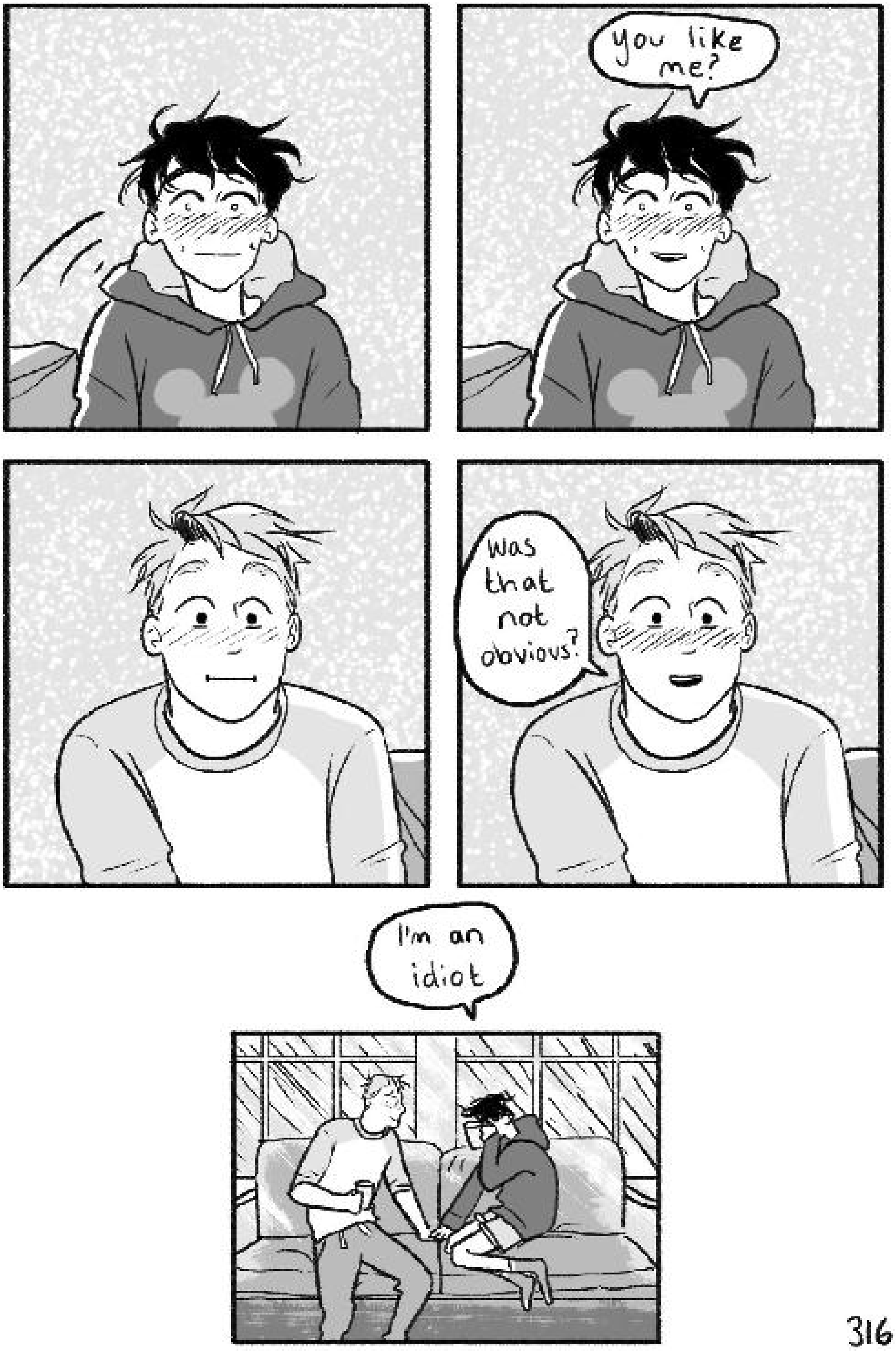

BLOW
SIP
How did you realise you're gay?

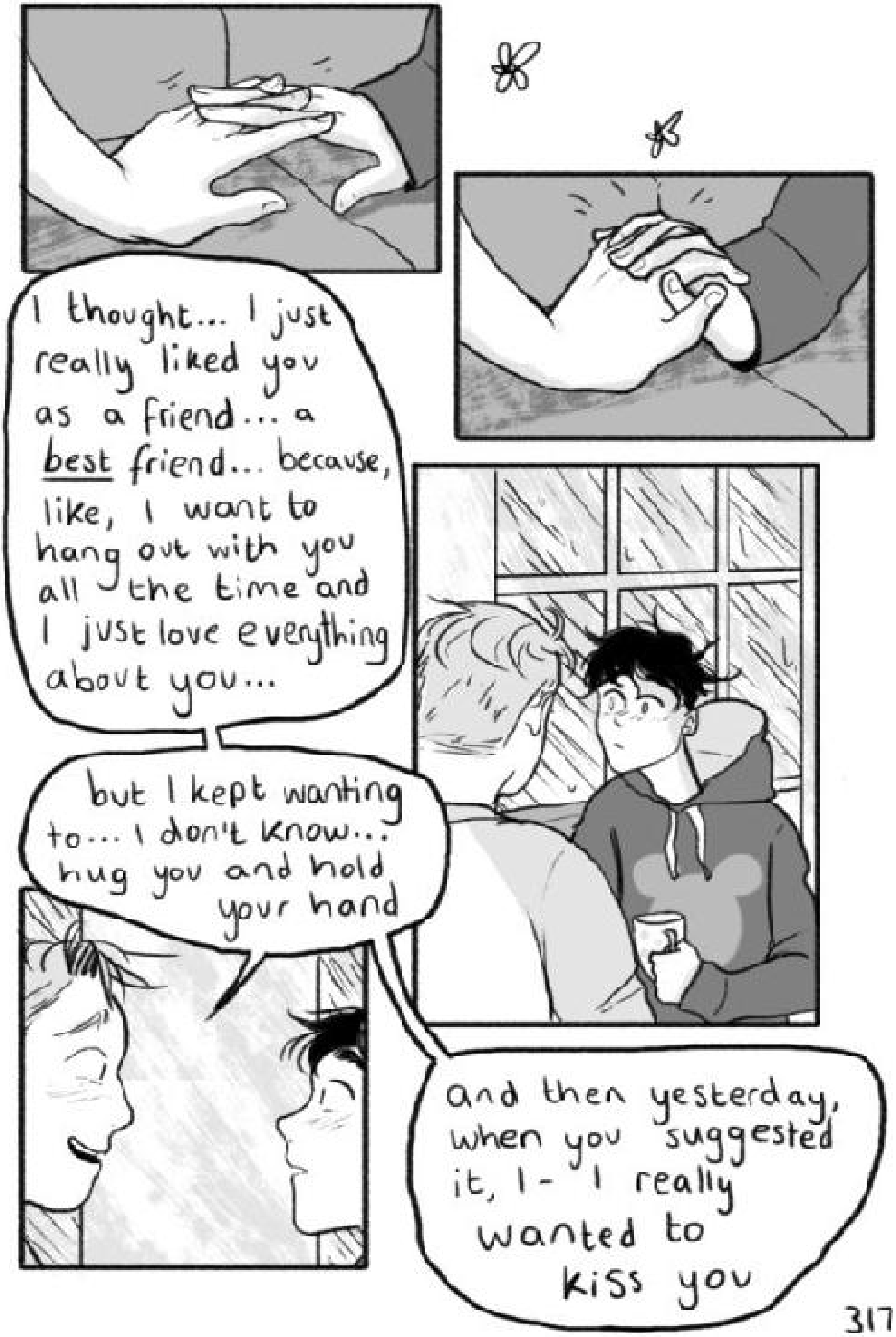

oh
er
I guess I've always been sort of aware of it...
even when I was really young...

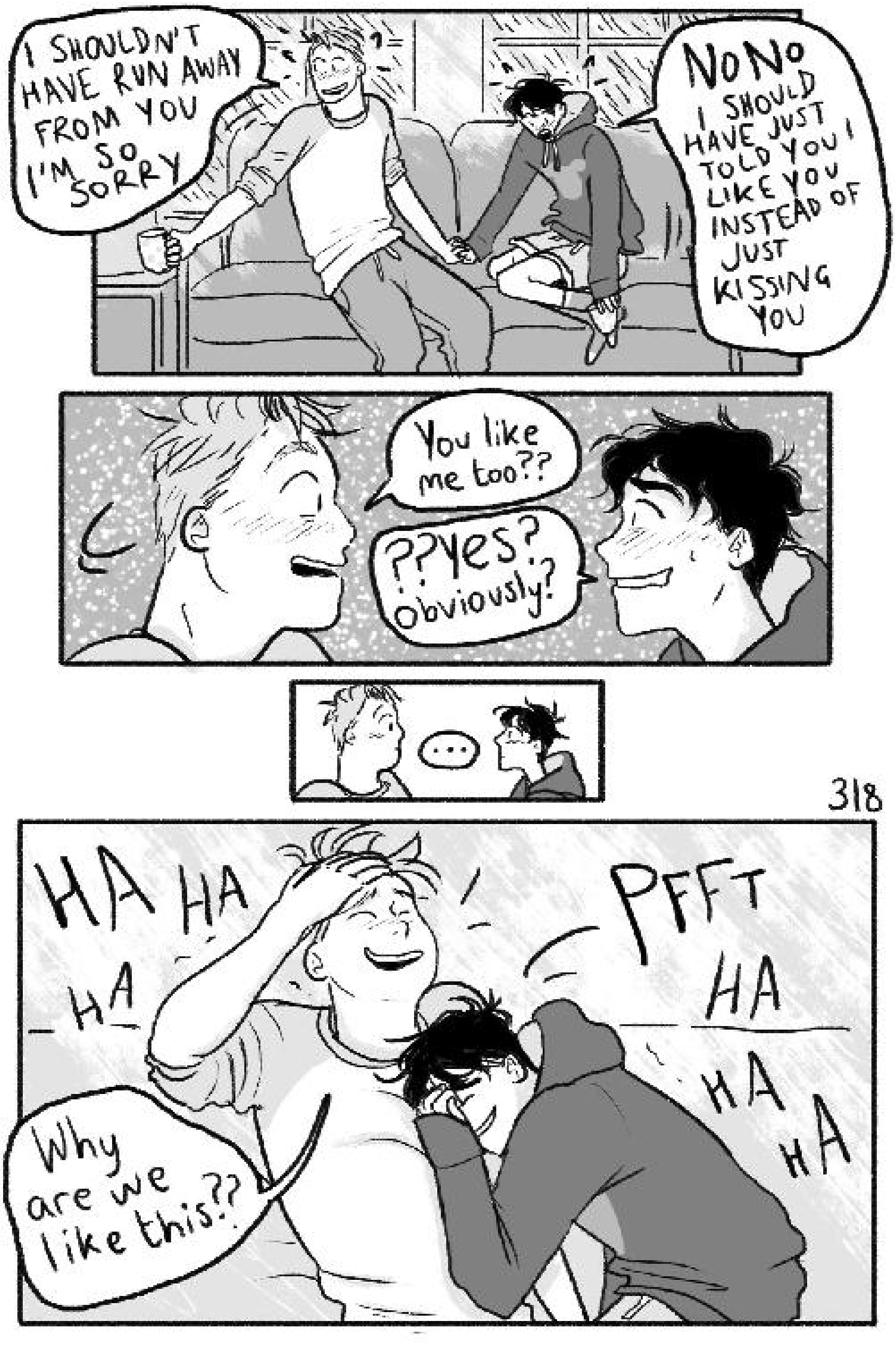

From my fictional crushes
to my real ones
I suppose I didn't understand it at the time, but...
It's always been boys

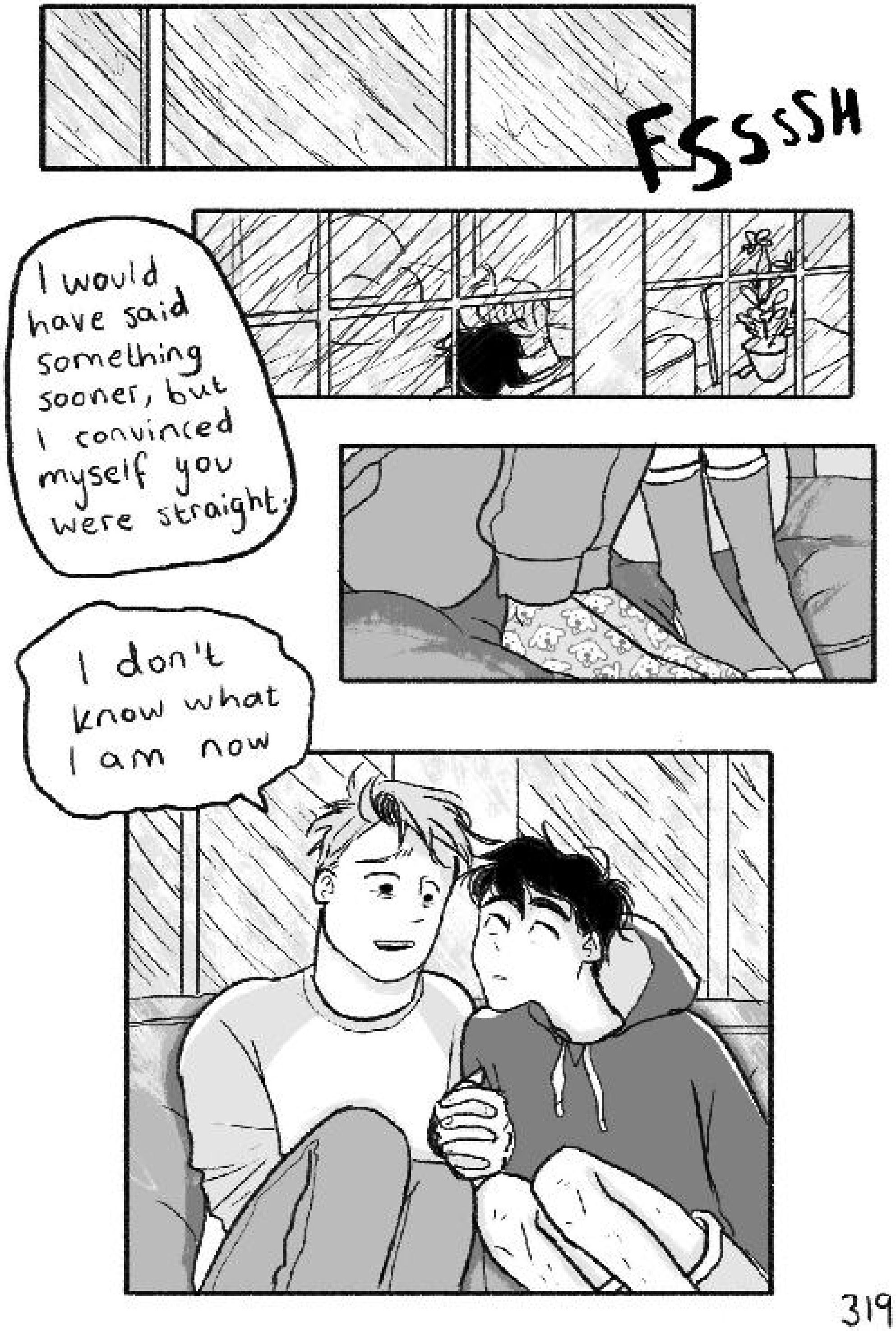

I'm guessing you didn't feel the same when you were little
Well... no
HA HA HA
Do your parents know?
SIP
Yeah. And my brother and sister. They're all really chill about it.
SIP

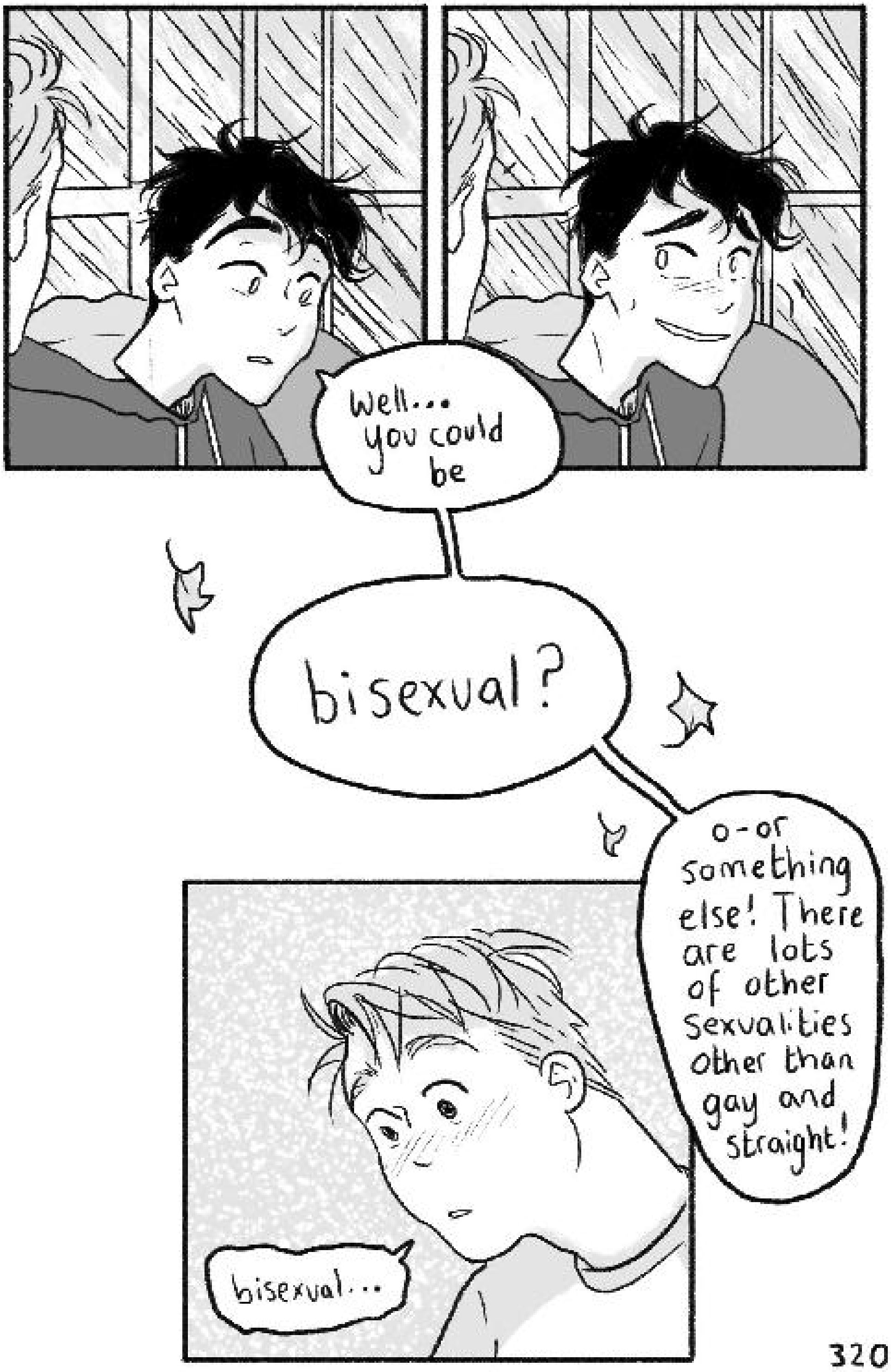

I... don't know what I am...
I've liked girls before...
but now...
I like you

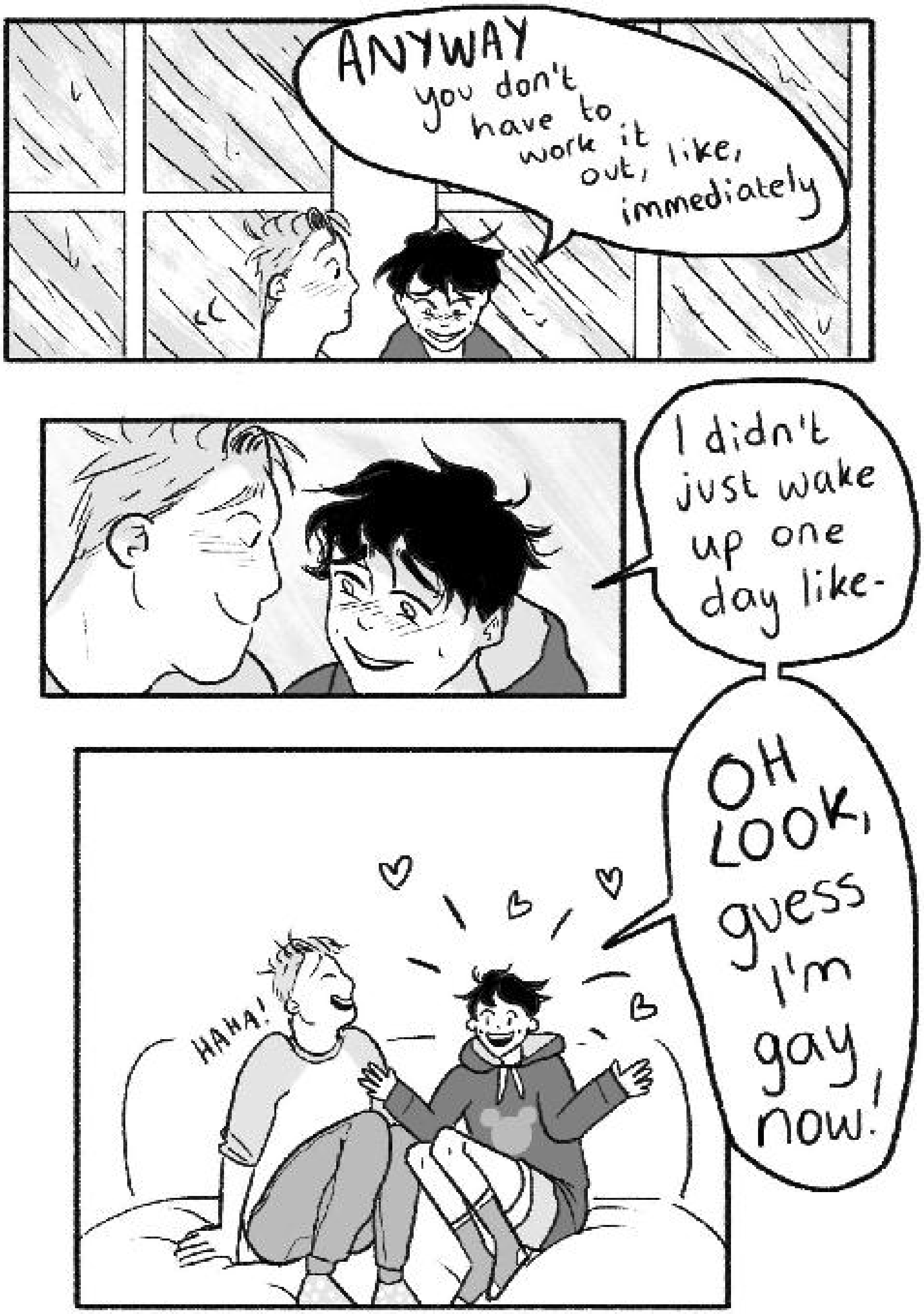

you like me?
Was that not obvious?
I'm an idiot

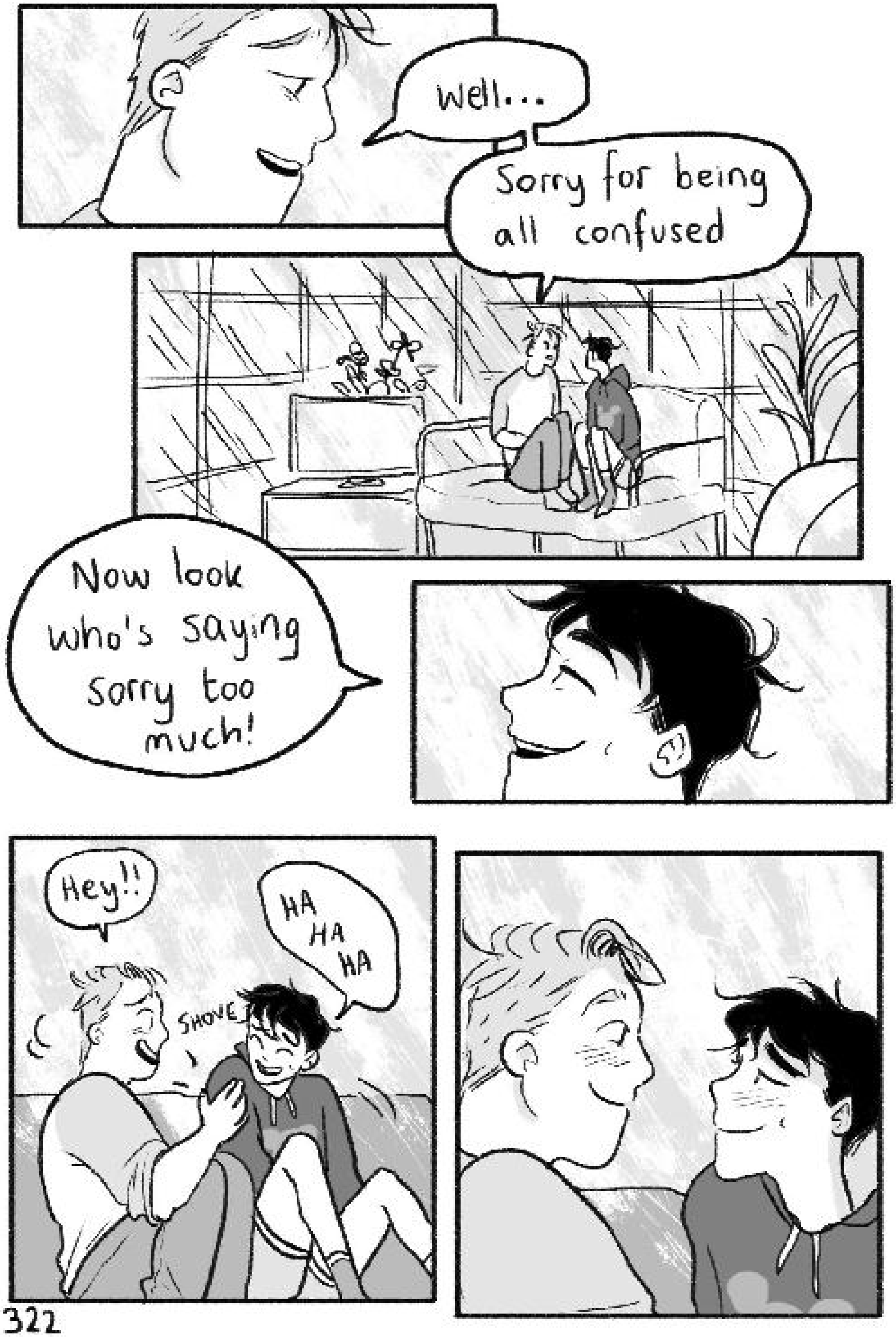

I thought... I just really liked you as a friend... a best friend... because, like, I want to hang out with you all the time and I just love everything about you...
but I kept wanting to... I don't know... hug you and hold your hand
and then yesterday, when you suggested it, I- I really wanted to kiss you

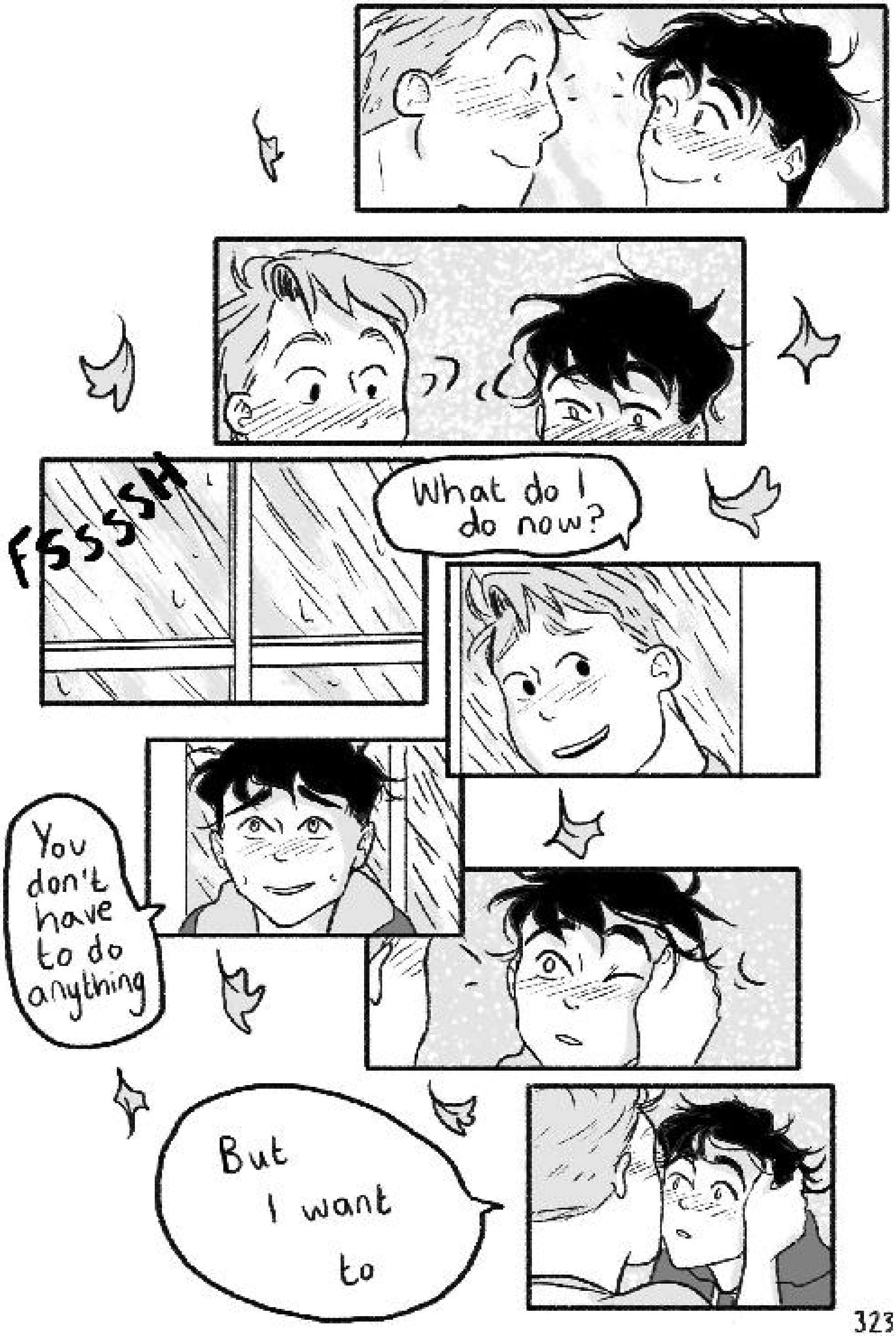

I SHOULDN'T HAVE RUN AWAY FROM YOU I'M SO SORRY
NO NO I SHOULD HAVE JUST TOLD YOU I LIKE YOU INSTEAD OF JUST KISSING YOU
You like me too??
??yes? obviously?
...
HA HA HA HA
PFFT HA HA HA
Why are we like this??

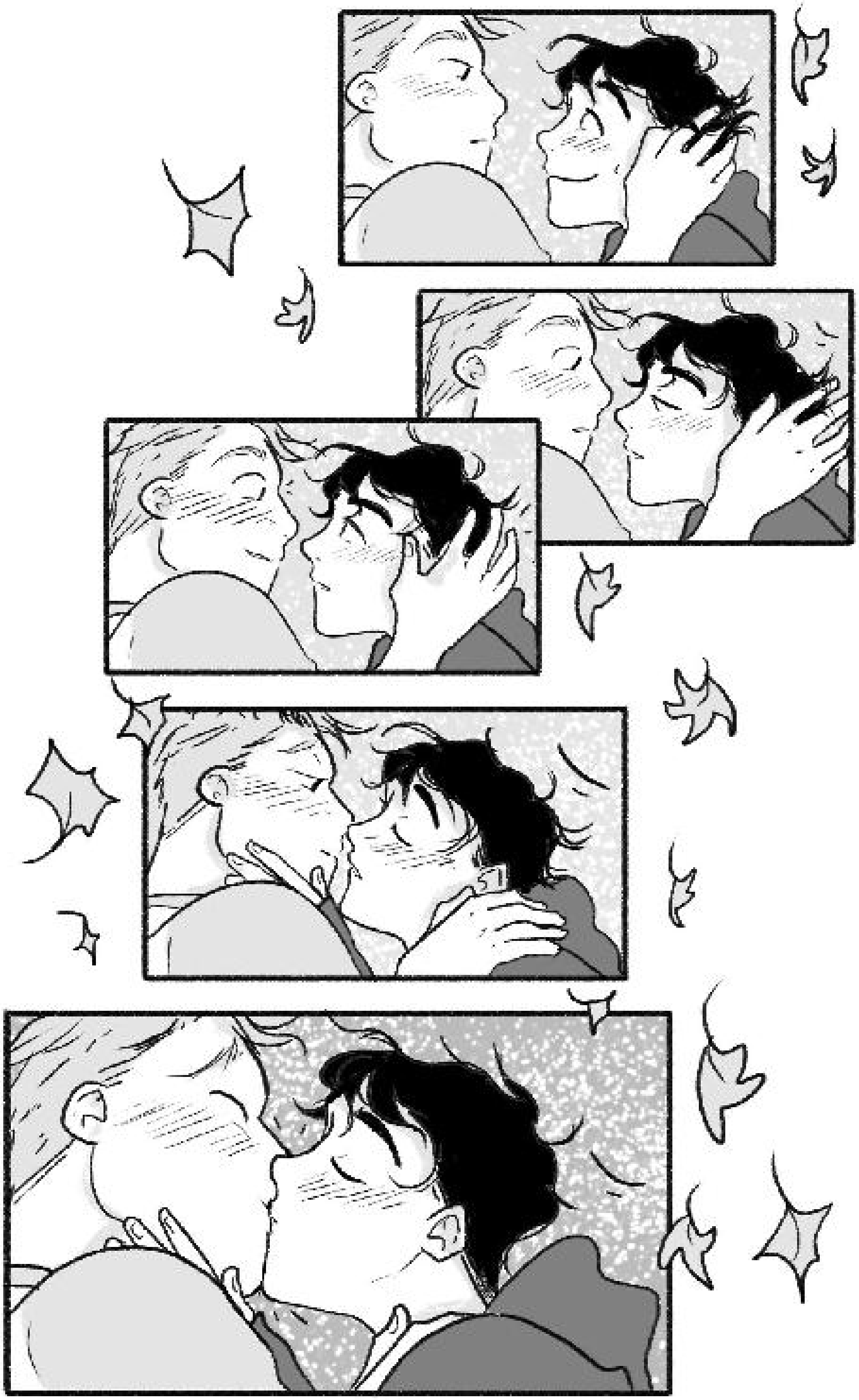

FSSSSH
I would have said something sooner, but I convinced myself you were straight.
I don't know what I am now

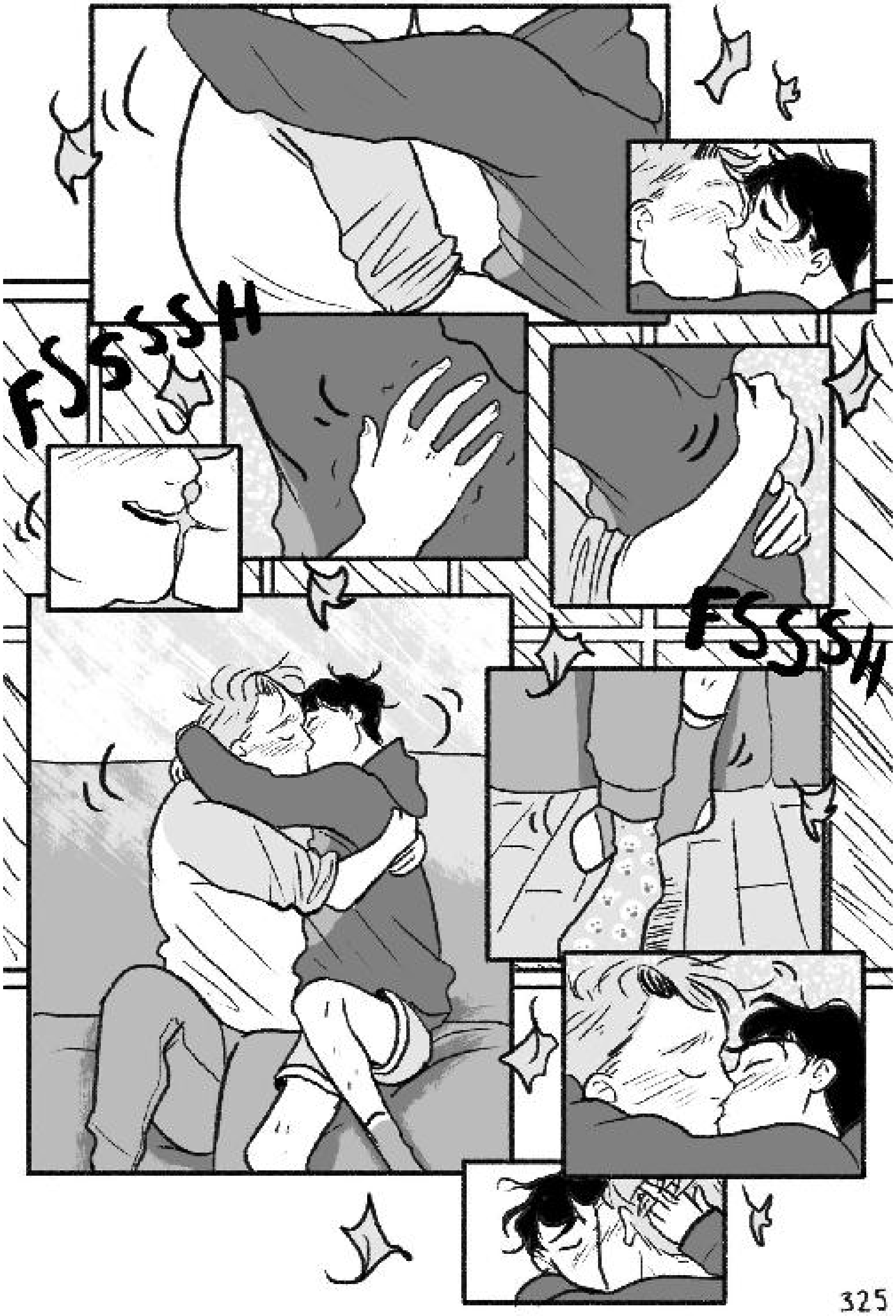

Well... you could be
bisexual?
o-or something else! There are lots of other sexualities other than gay and straight!
bisexual...

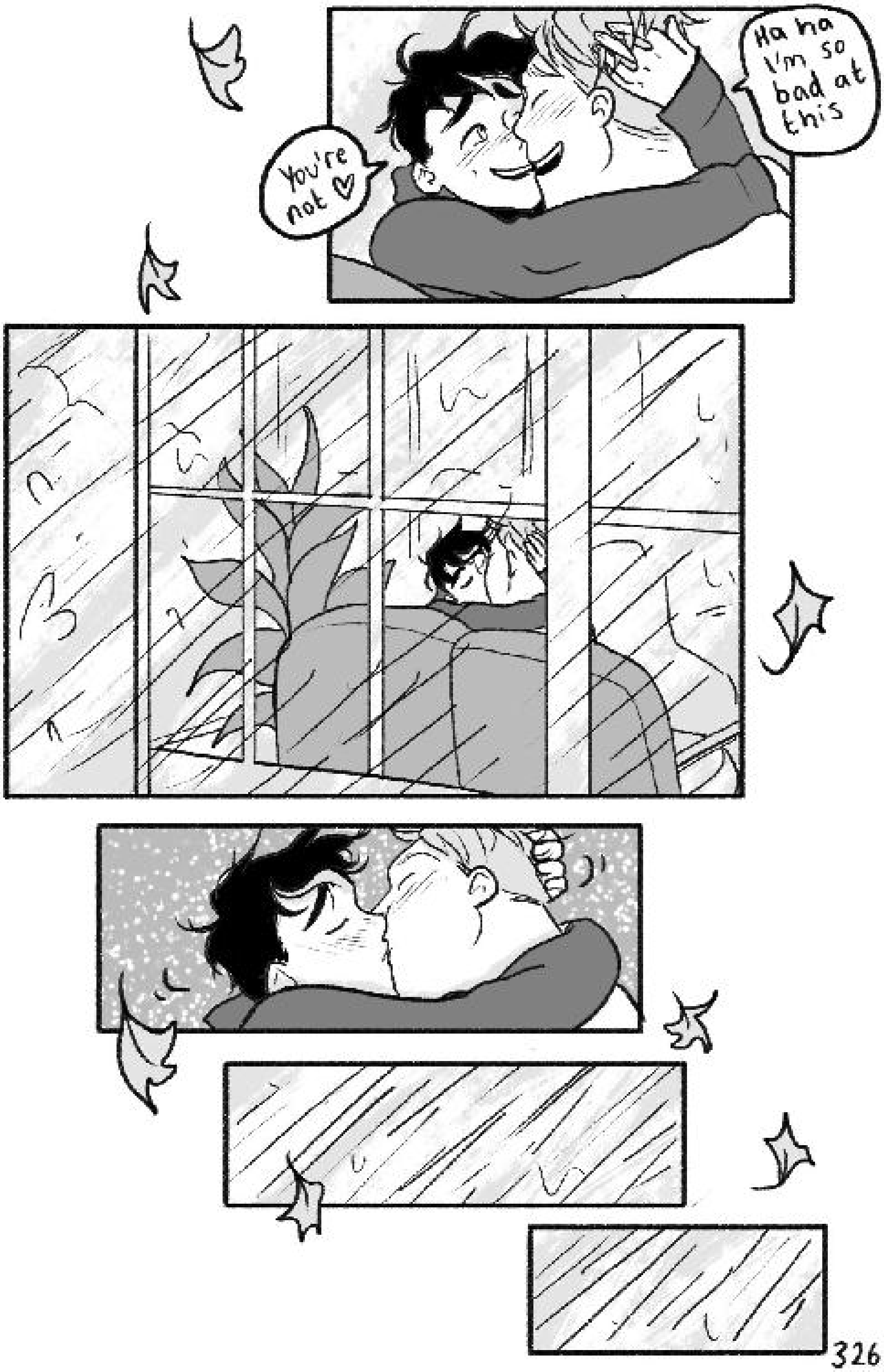

ANYWAY you don't have to work it out, like, immediately
I didn't just wake up one day like-
OH LOOK, guess I'm gay now!
HAHA!

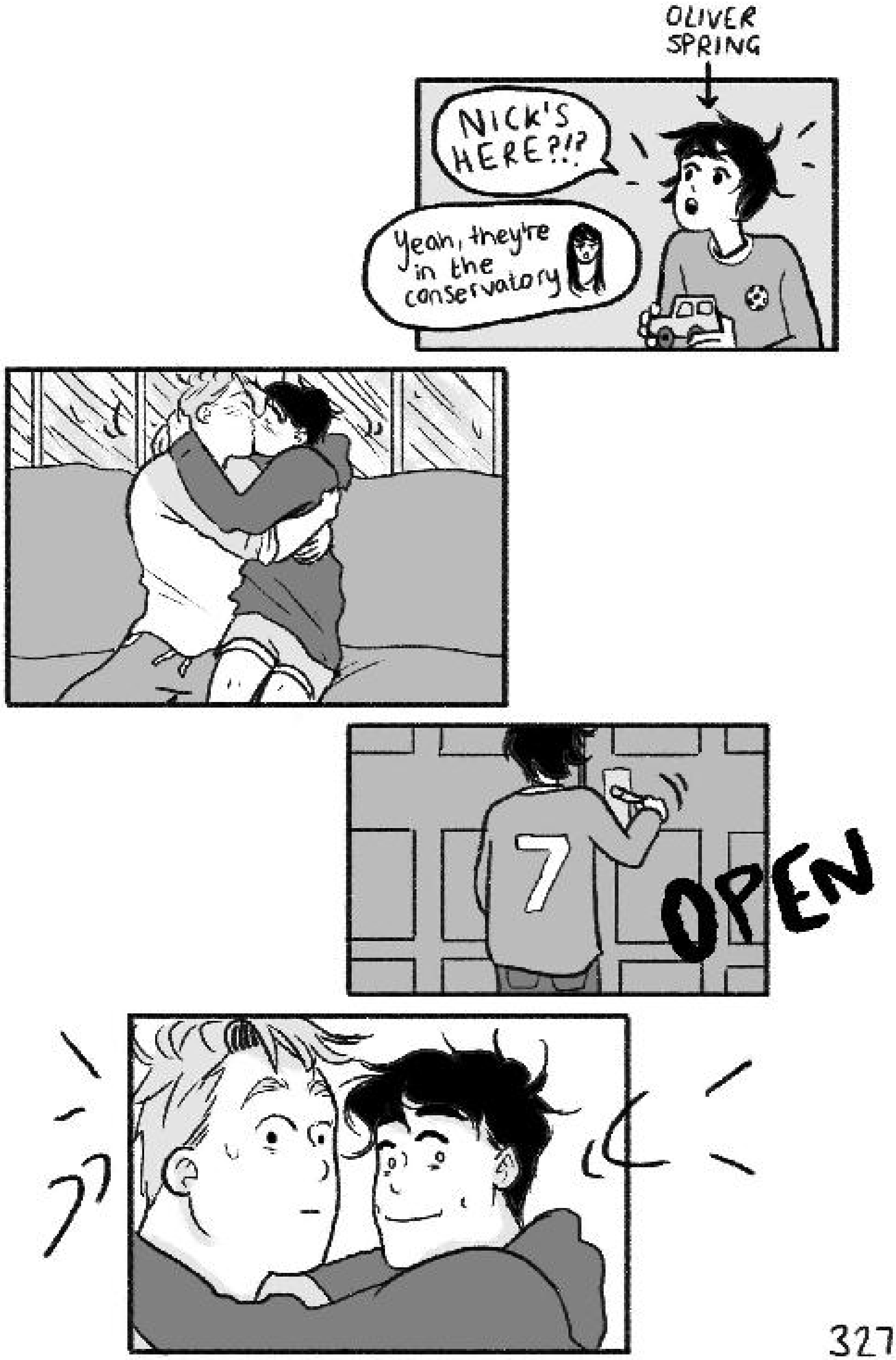

Well...
Sorry for being all confused
Now look who's saying sorry too much!
Hey!!
SHOVE
HA HA HA

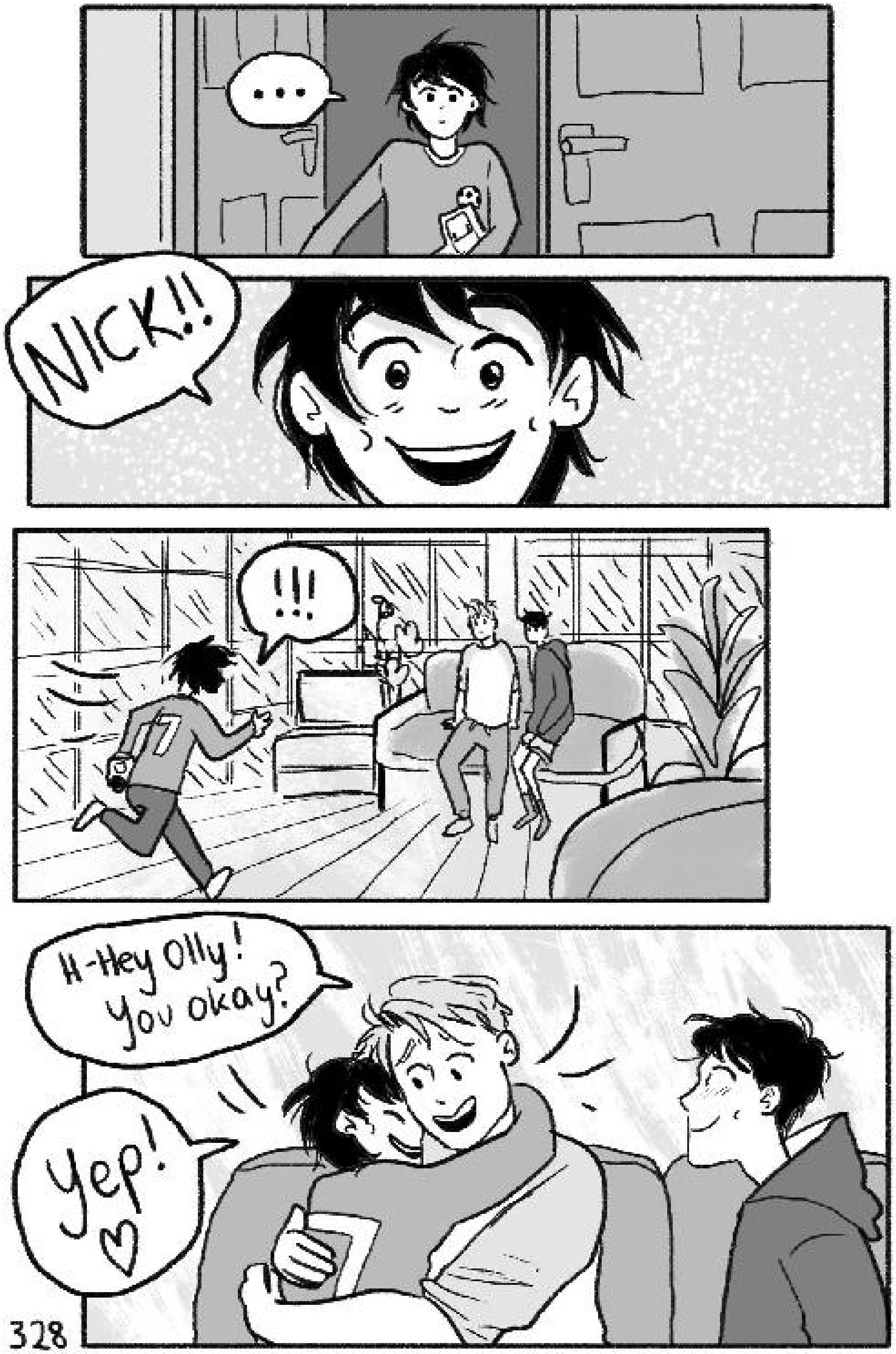

FSSSSH
What do I do now?
You don't have to do anything
But I want to

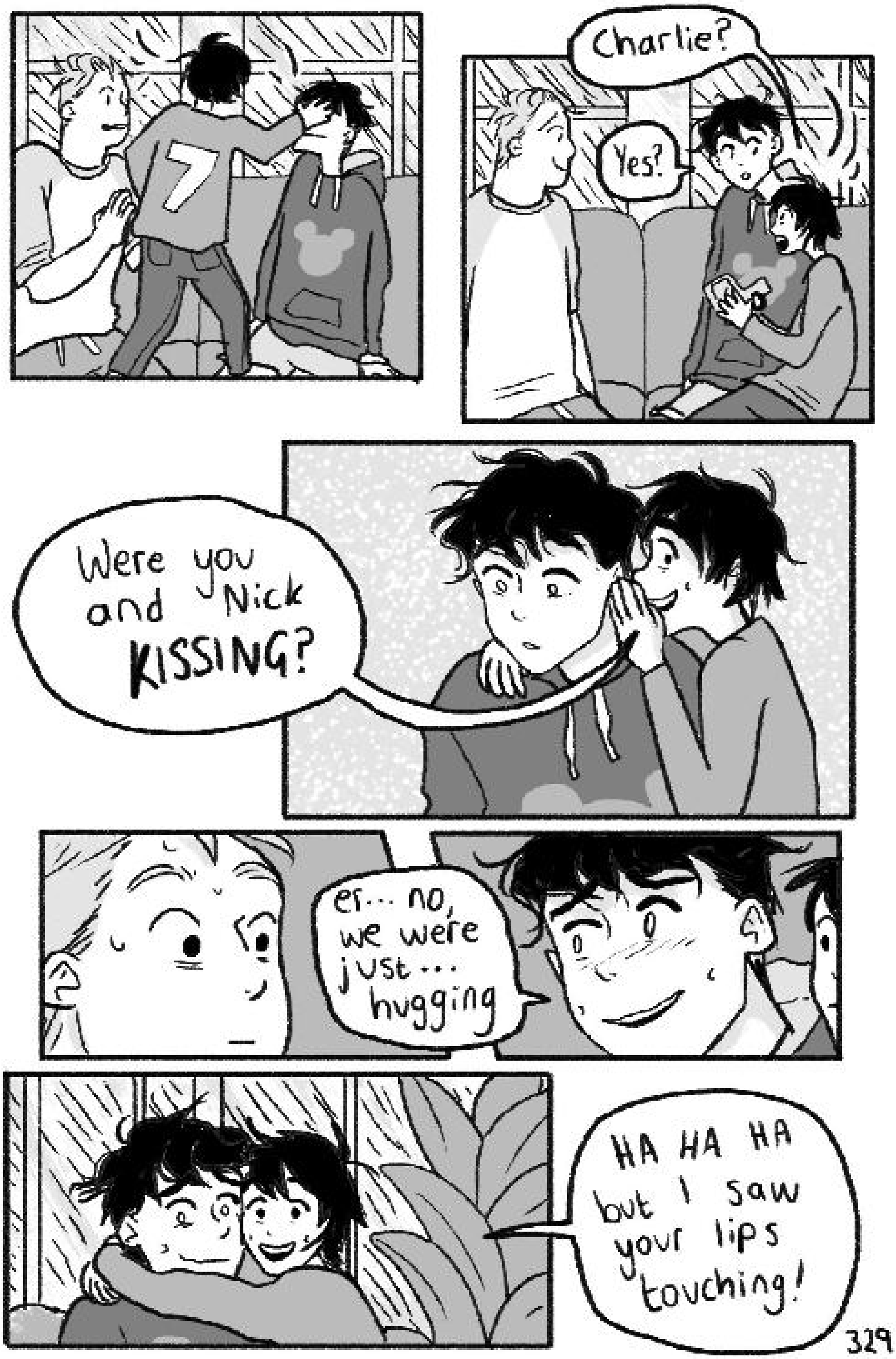


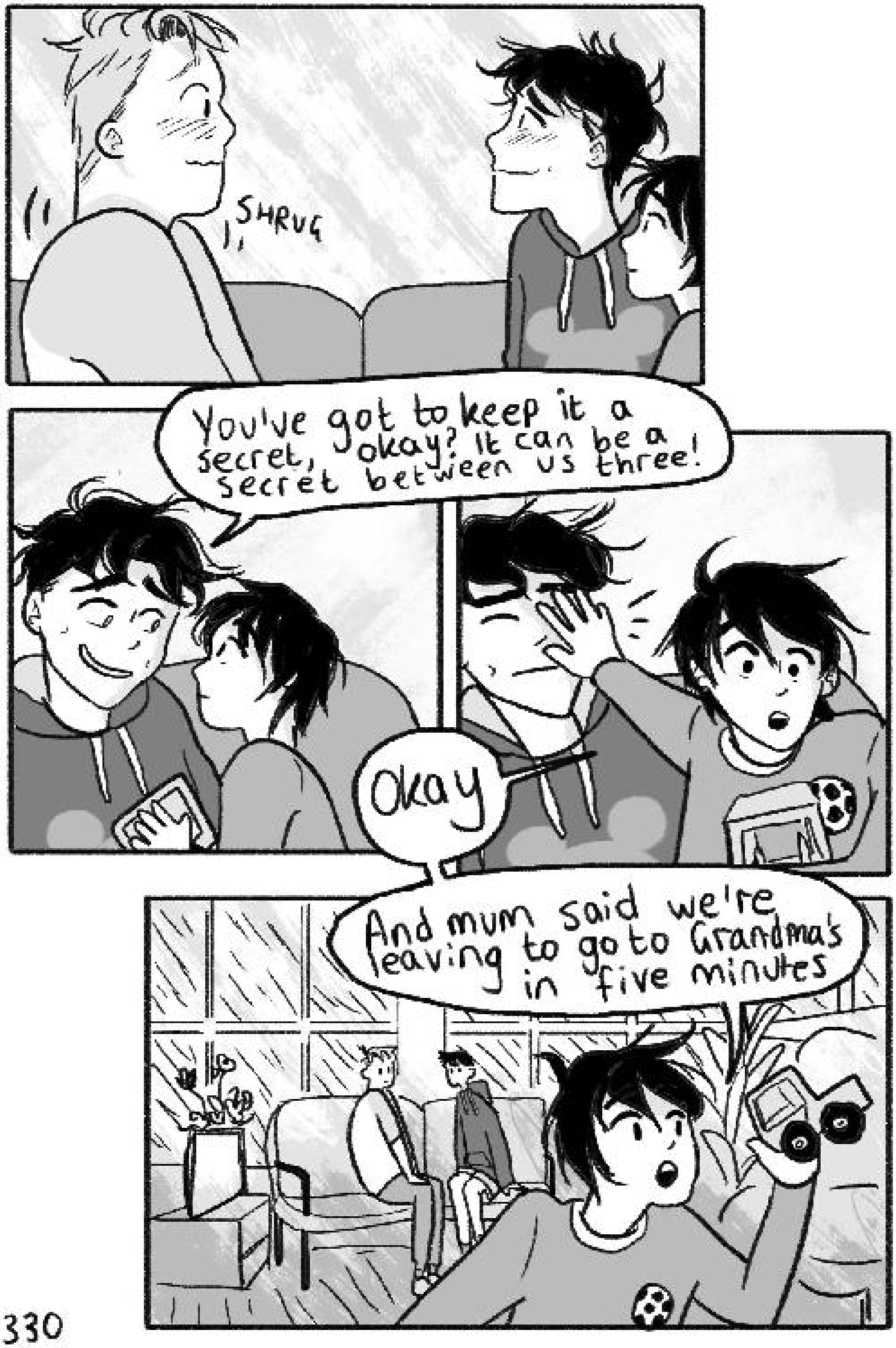

FSSSSH
FSSSH

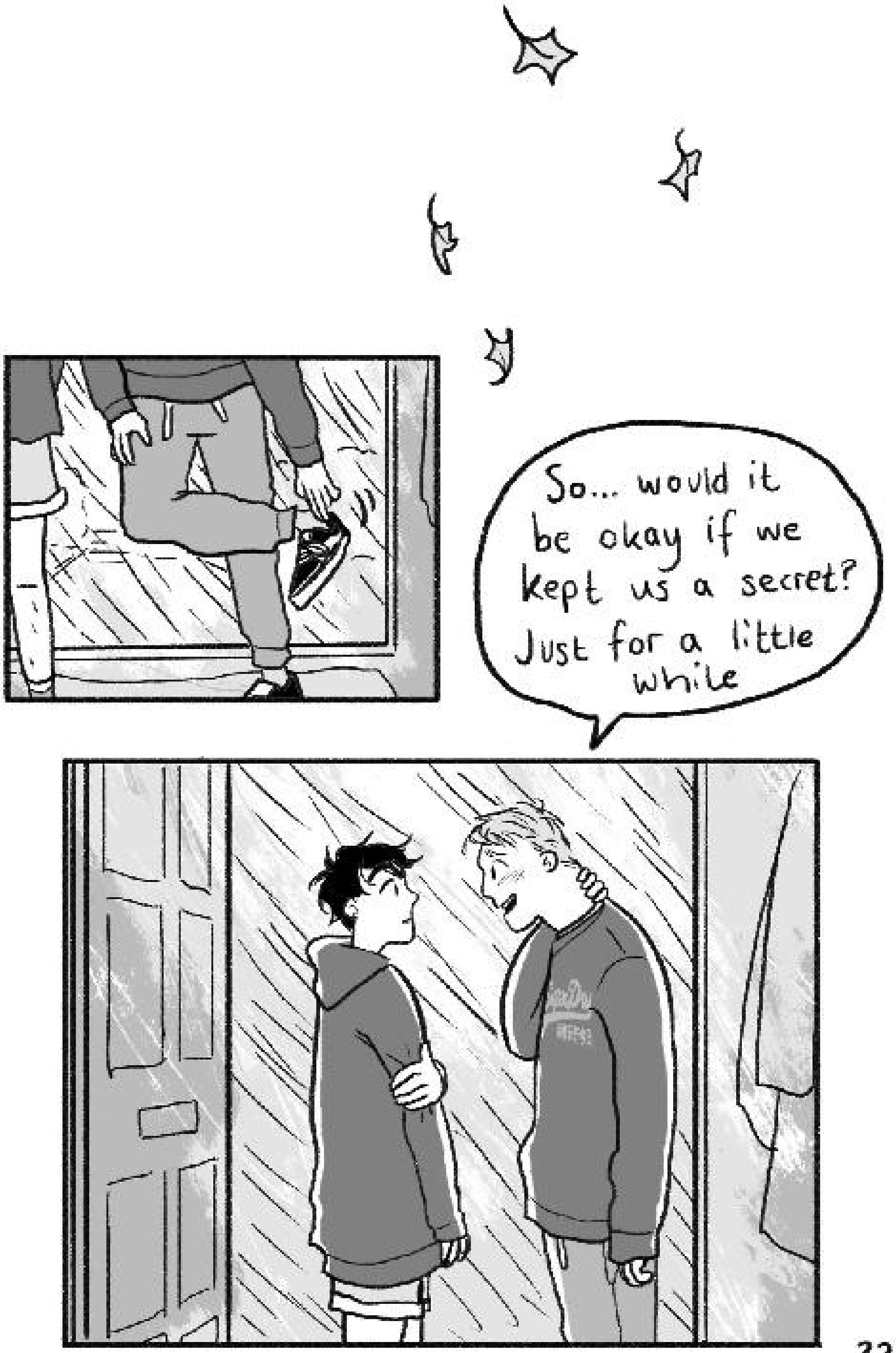

Ha ha I'm so bad at this
You're not ♡

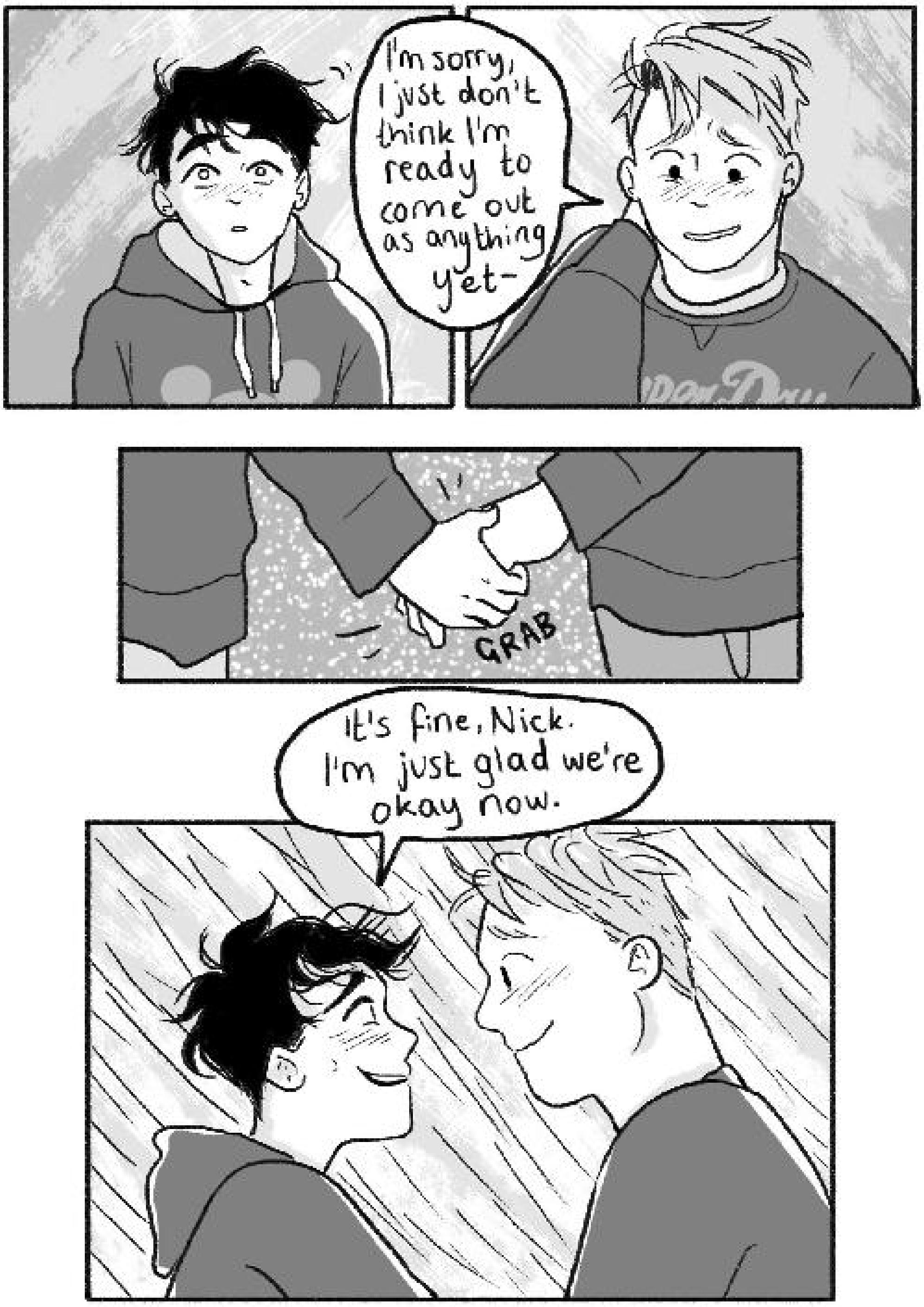

OLIVER SPRING
NICK'S HERE?!?
Yeah, they're in the conservatory
OPEN

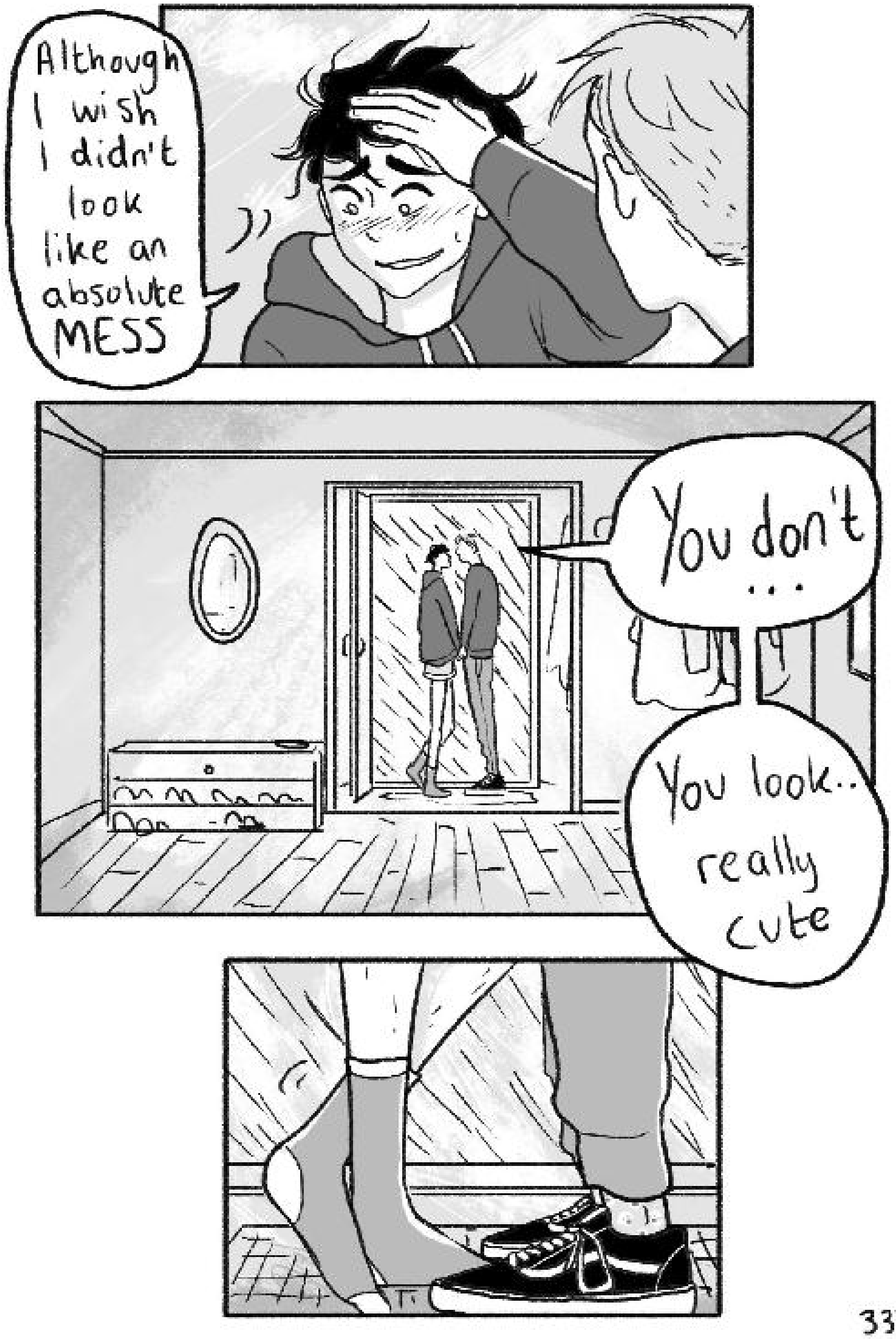

...
NICK!!
!!!
H-Hey Olly! You okay?
Yep! ♡

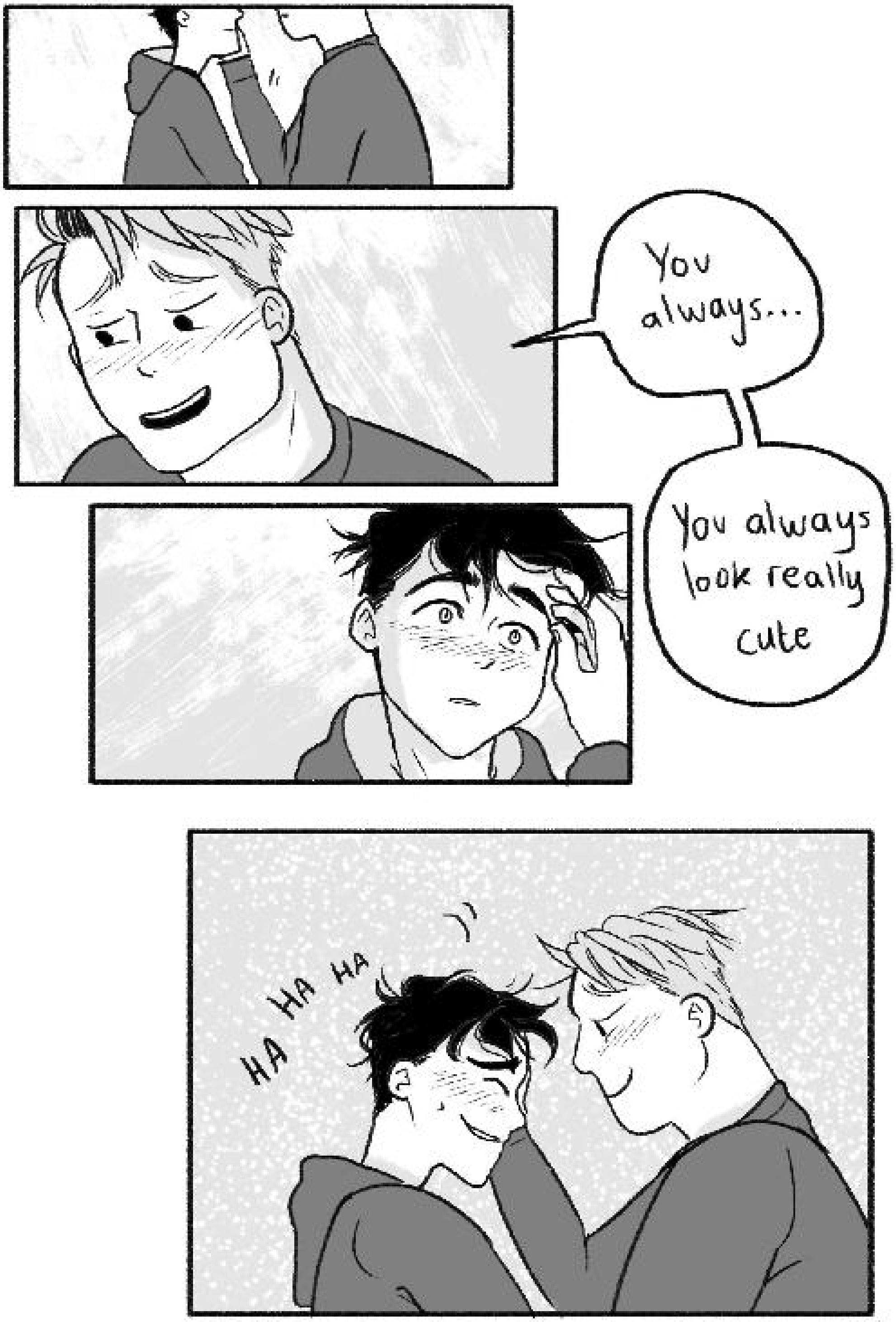

Charlie?
Yes?
Were you and Nick KISSING?
er... no, we were just... hugging
HA HA HA but I saw your lips touching!

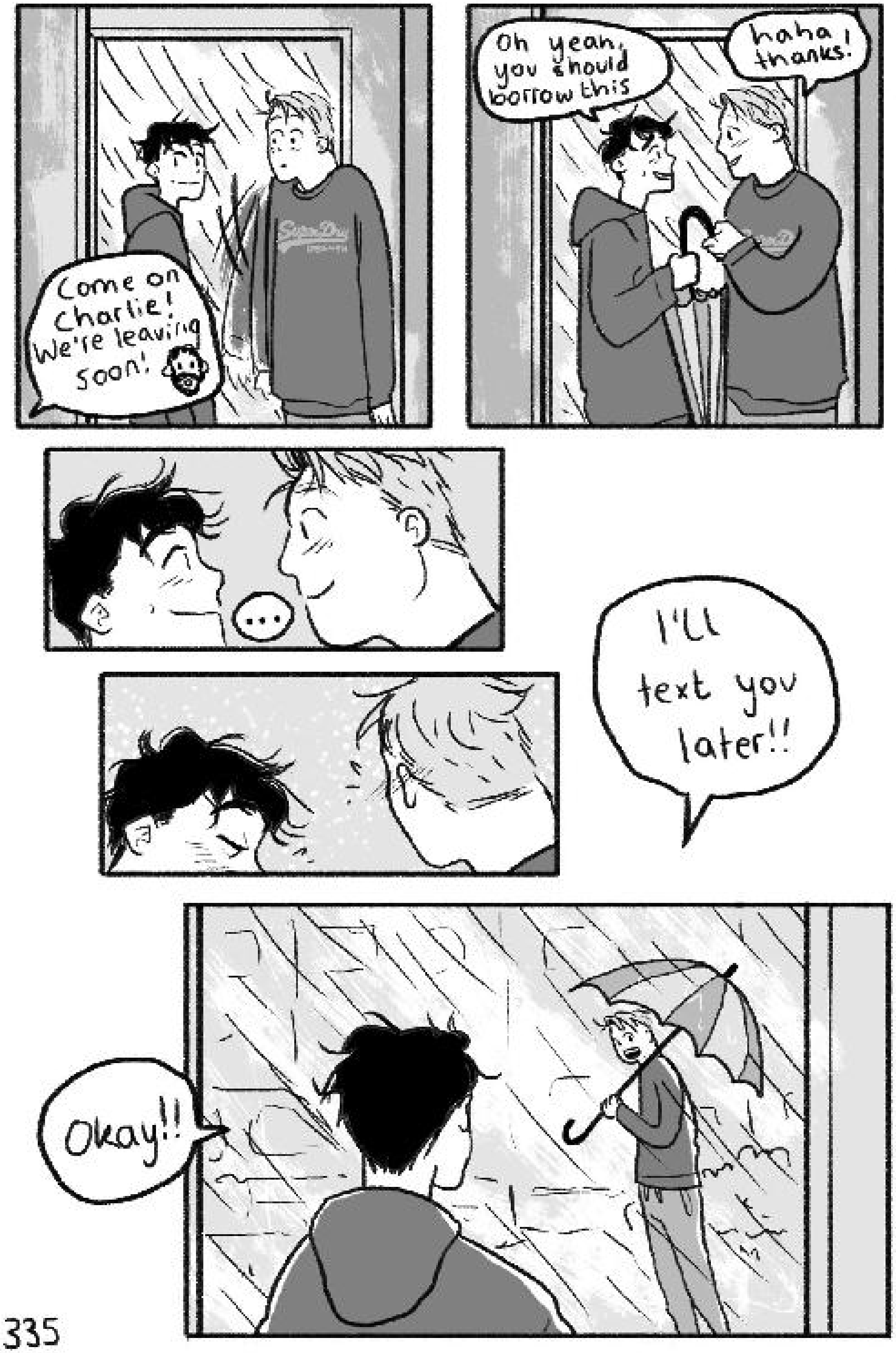

SHRUG
You've got to keep it a secret, okay? It can be a secret between us three!
Okay
And mum said we're leaving to go to Grandma's in five minutes

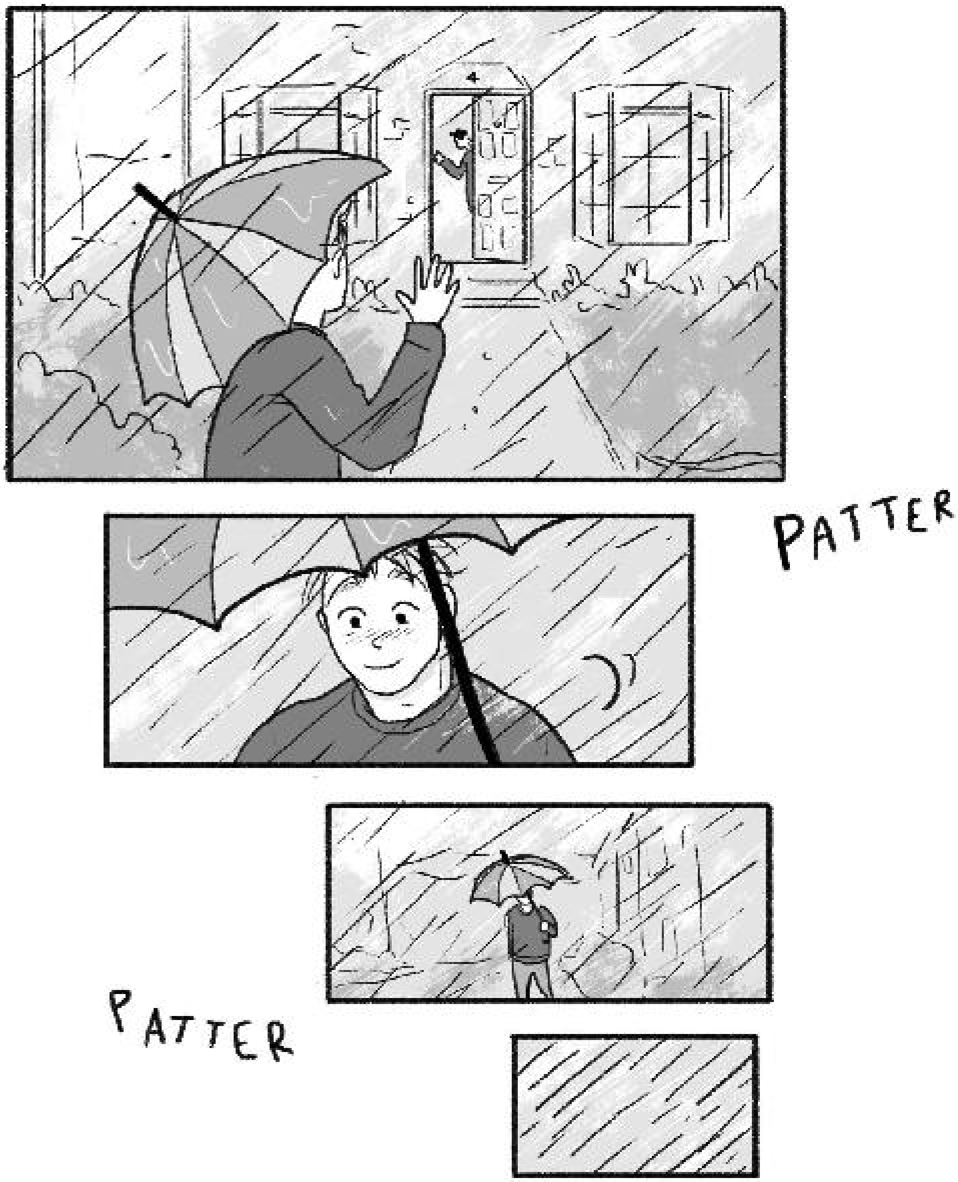

So... would it be okay if we kept us a secret? Just for a little while

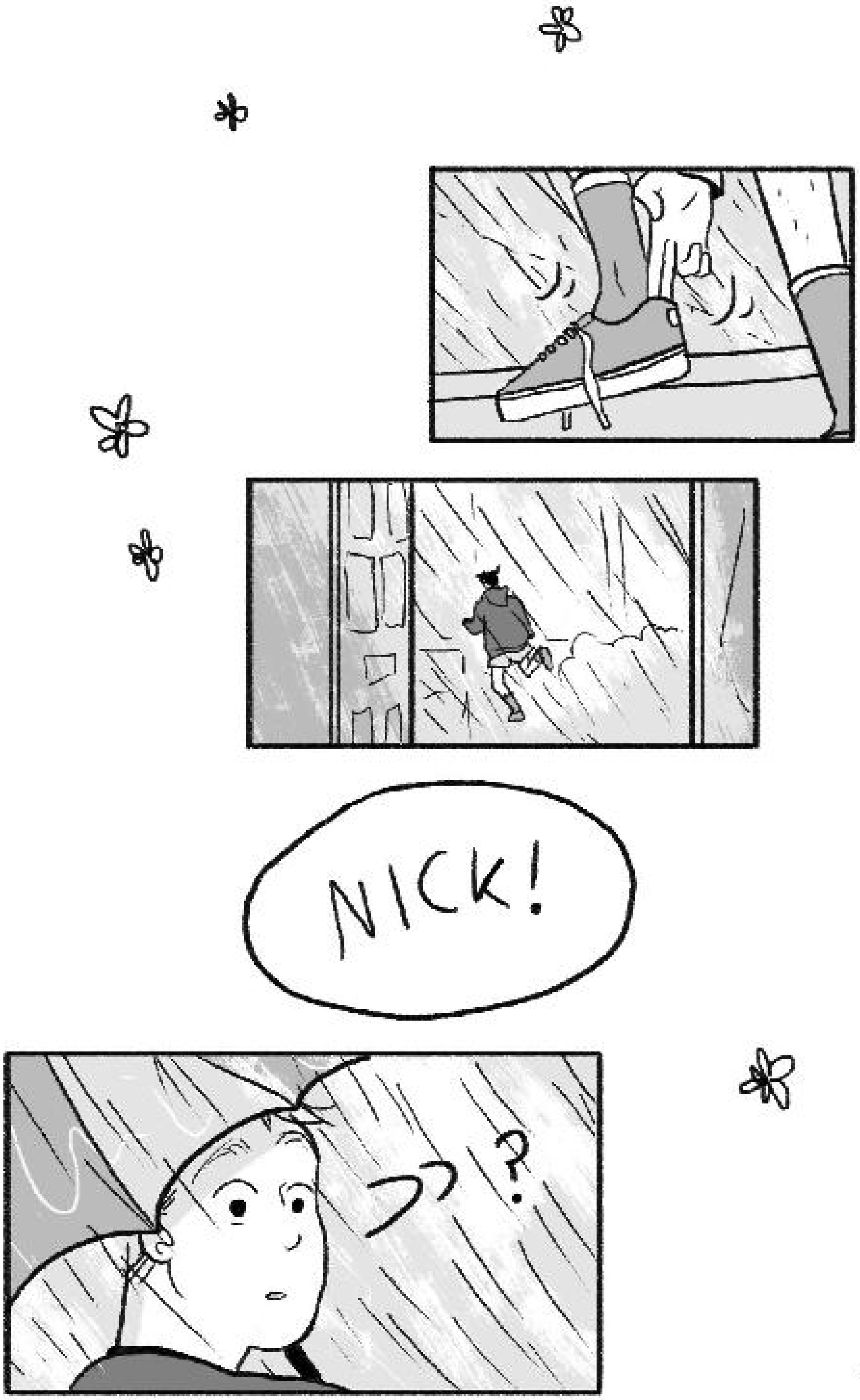

I'm sorry, I just don't think I'm ready to come out as anything yet–
GRAB
It's fine, Nick. I'm just glad we're okay now.

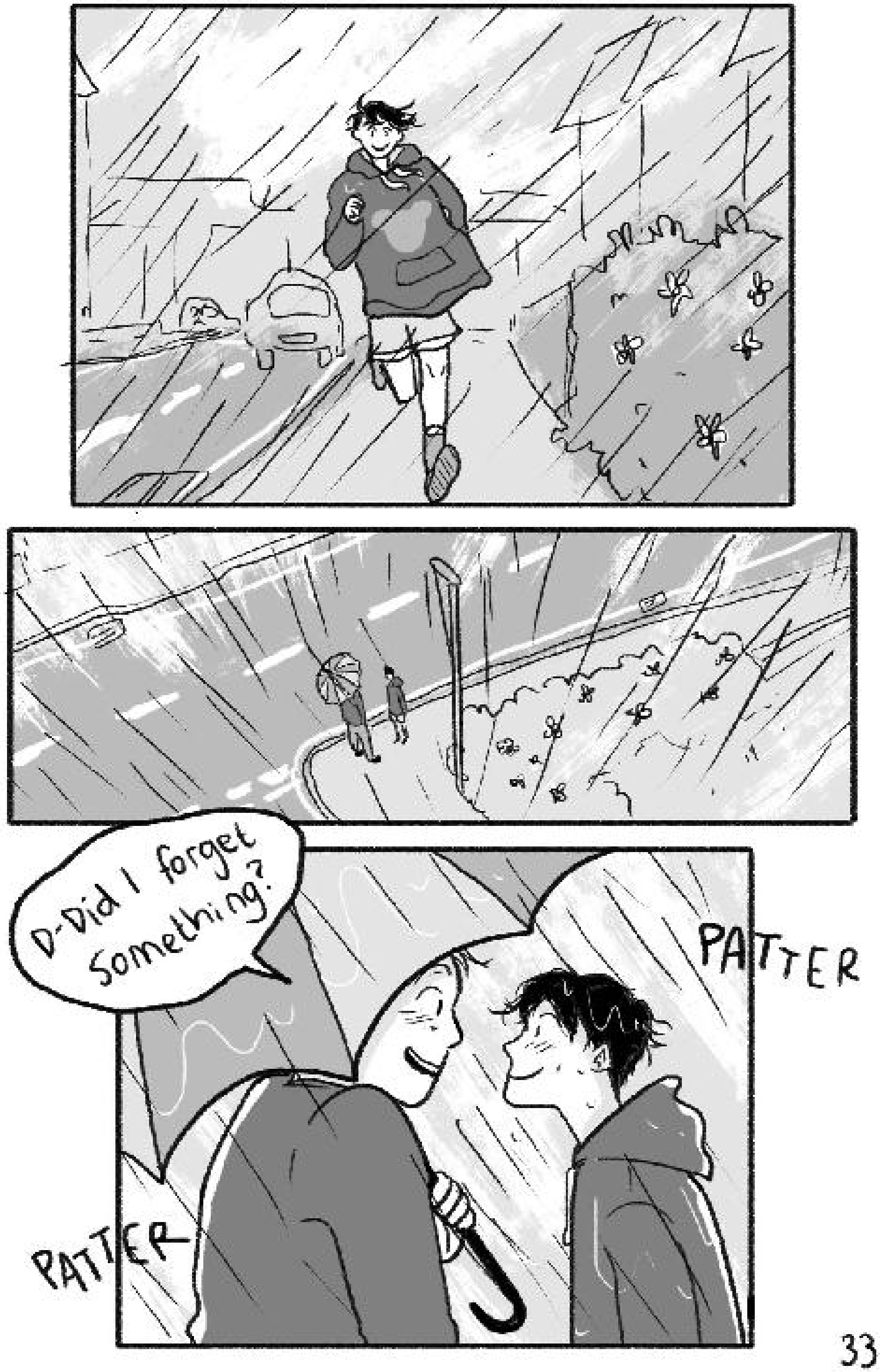

Although I wish I didn't look like an absolute MESS
You don't . . .
You look.. really cute


You always...
You always look really cute
HA HA HA


Come on Charlie! We're leaving soon!
Oh yeah, you should borrow this
haha! thanks!
...
I'll text you later!!
Okay!!


PATTER
PATTER


NICK!
?


D-Did I forget something?
PATTER
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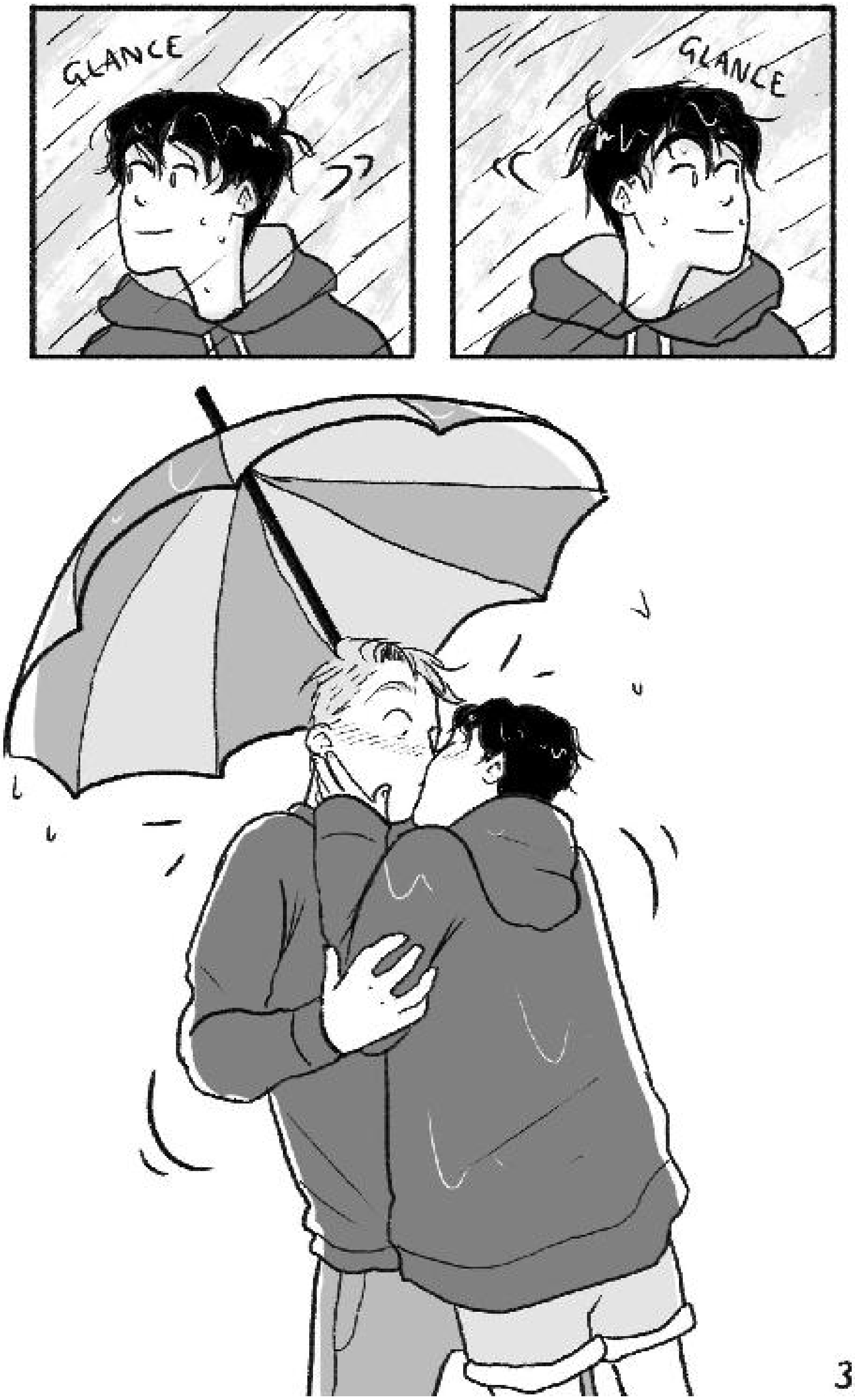
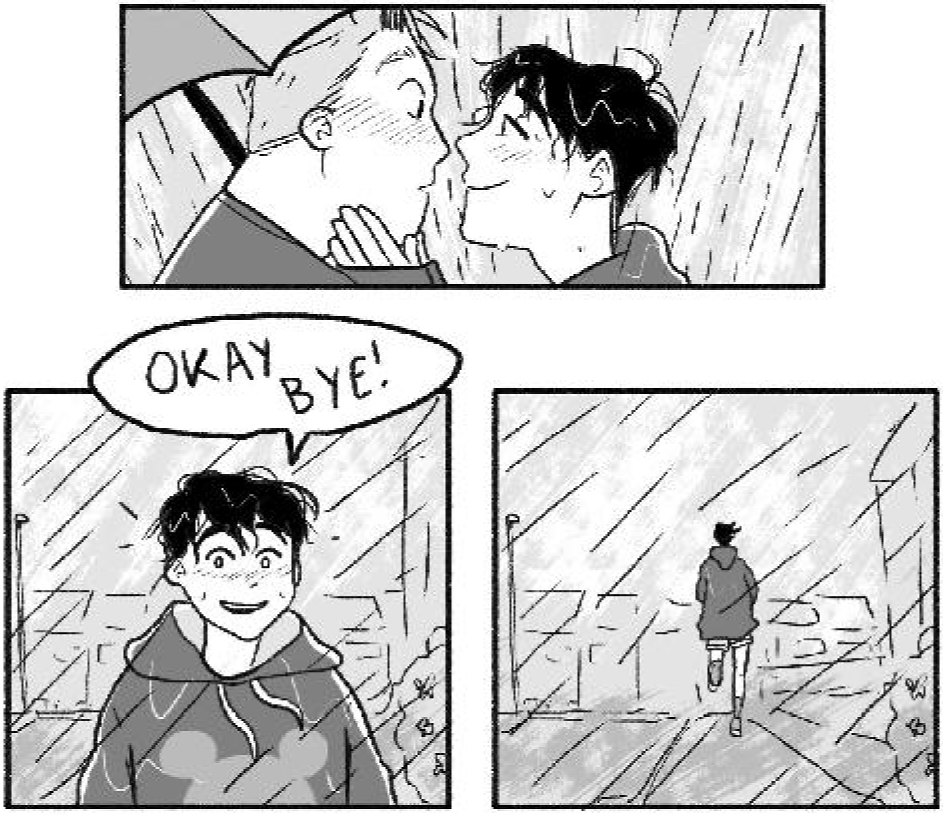
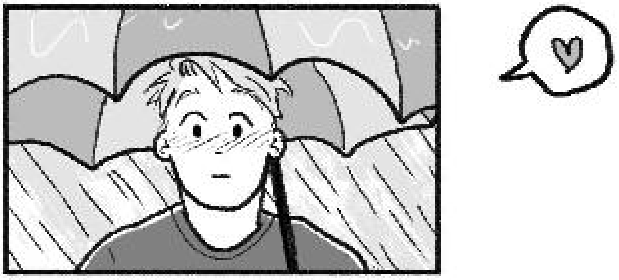
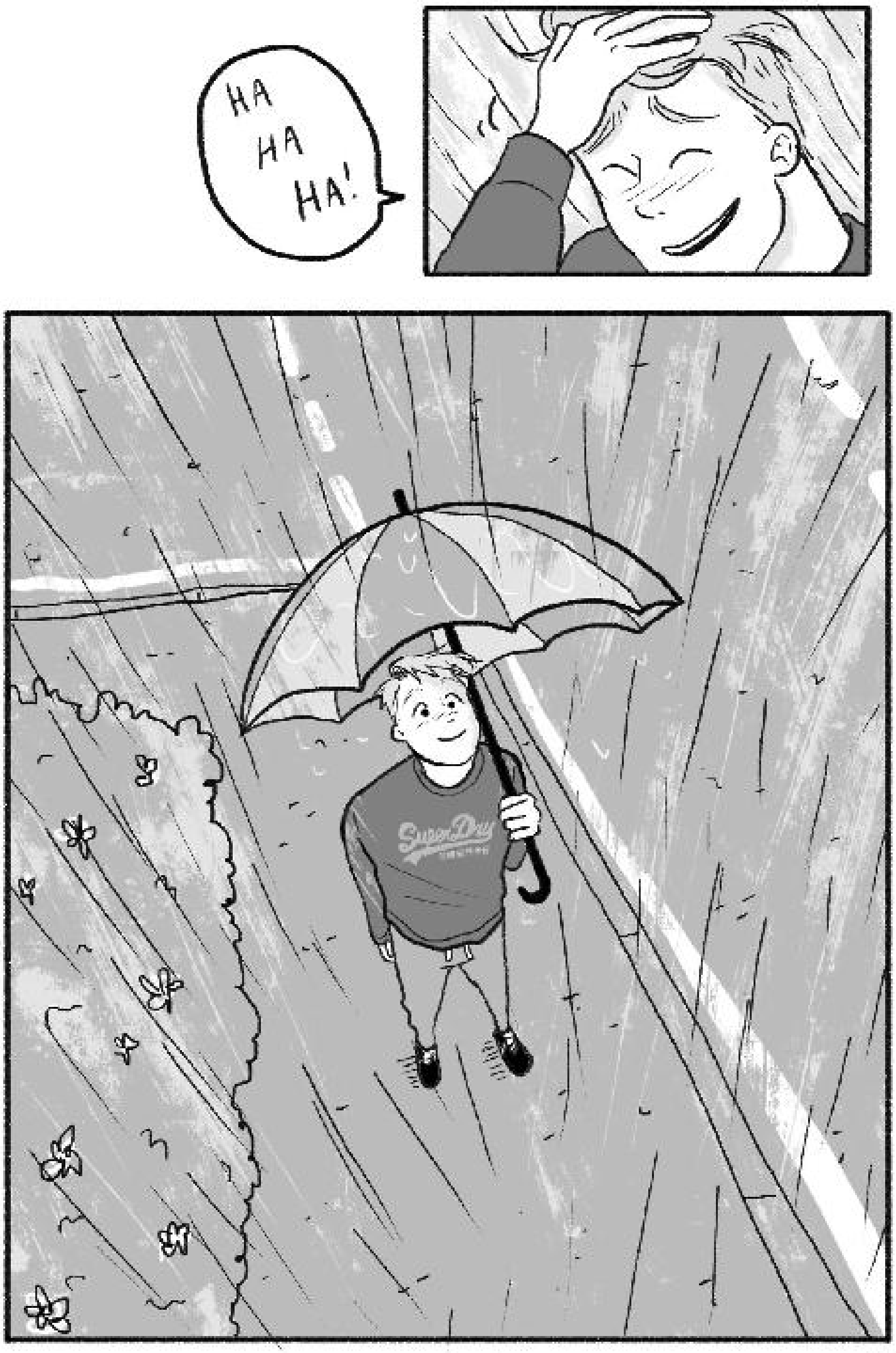
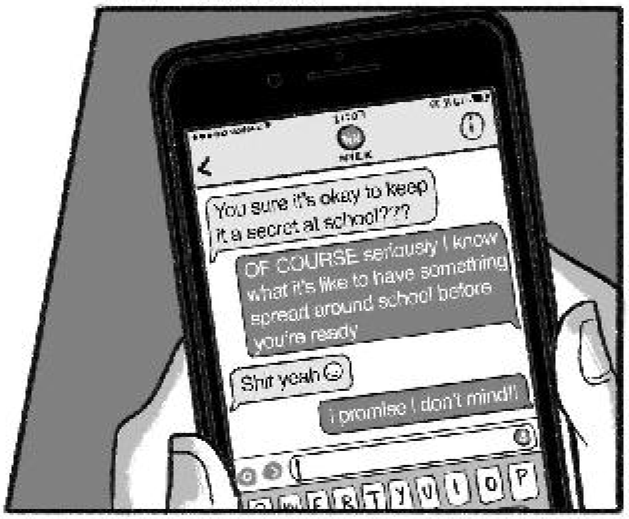

GLANCE
GLANCE


OKAY BYE!


♥


HA HA HA!
Super Dry

LATER...

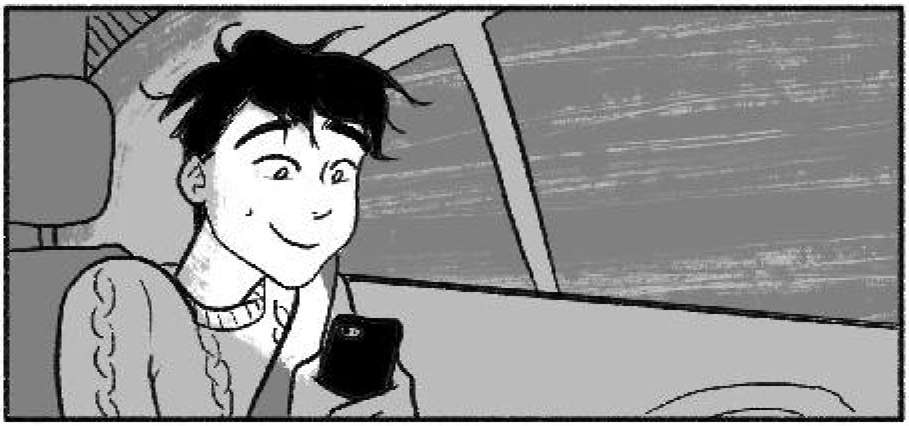


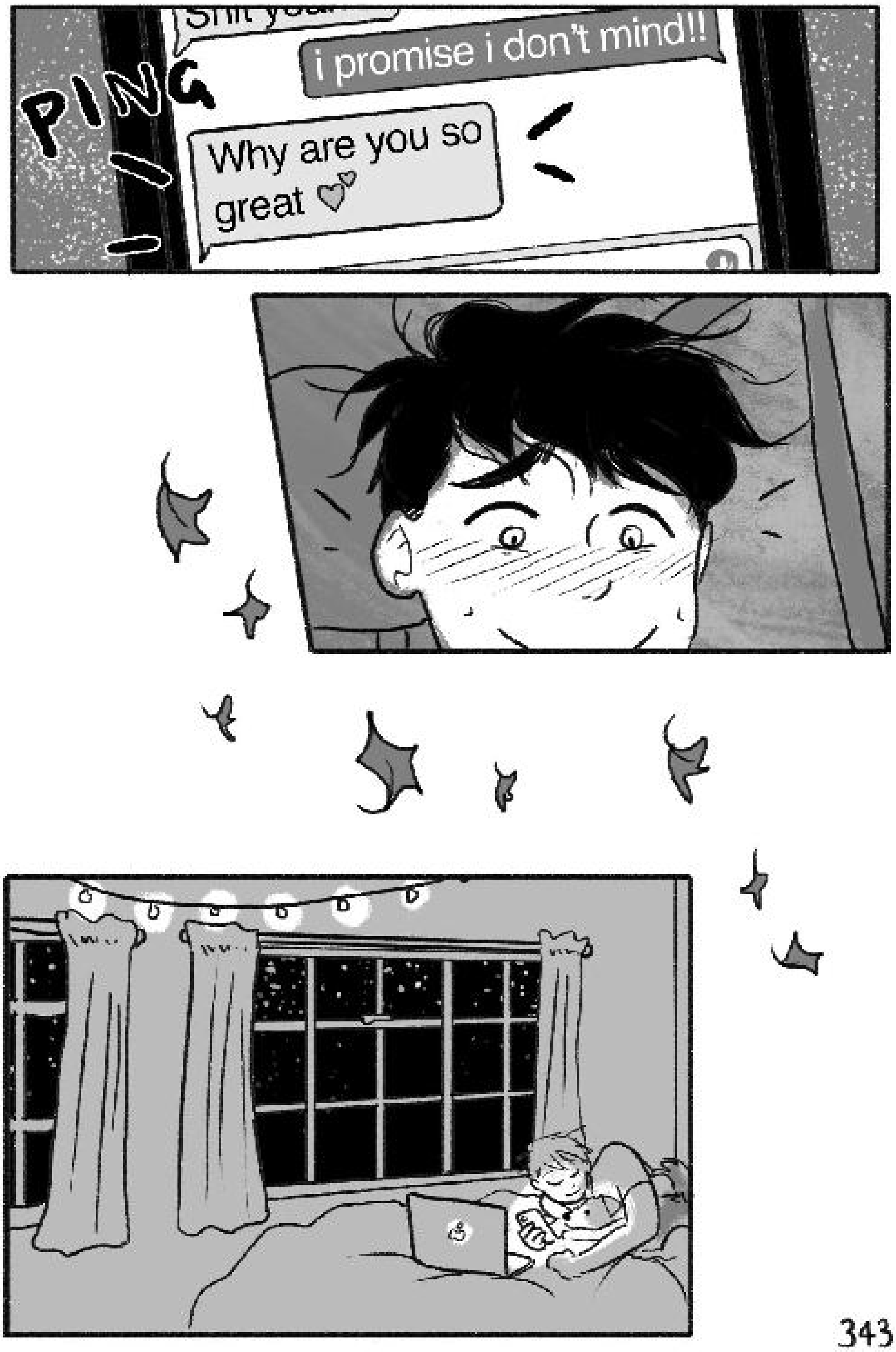
You sure it's okay to keep it a secret at school???

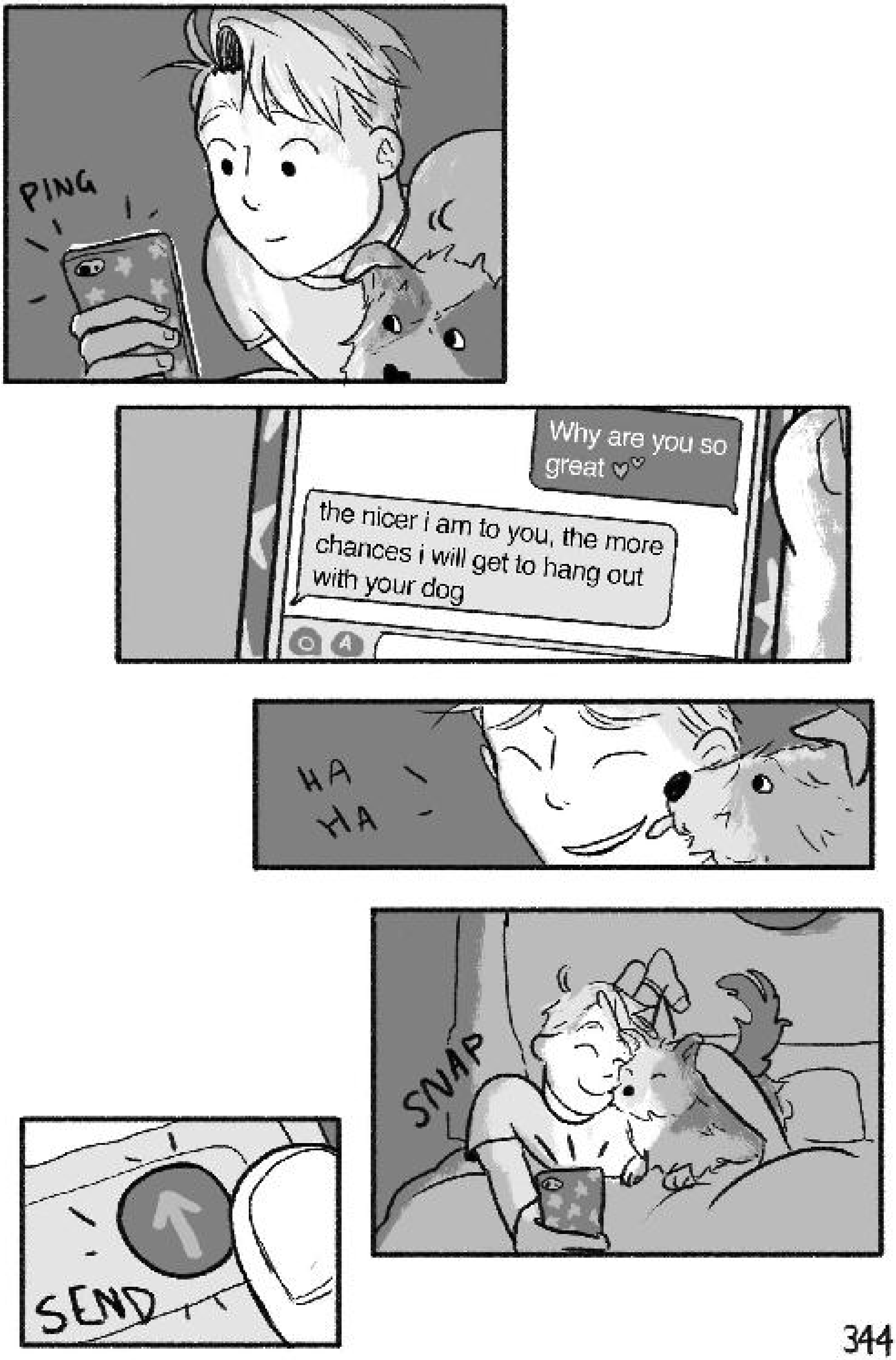
OF COURSE seriously I know what it's like to have something spread around school before you're ready

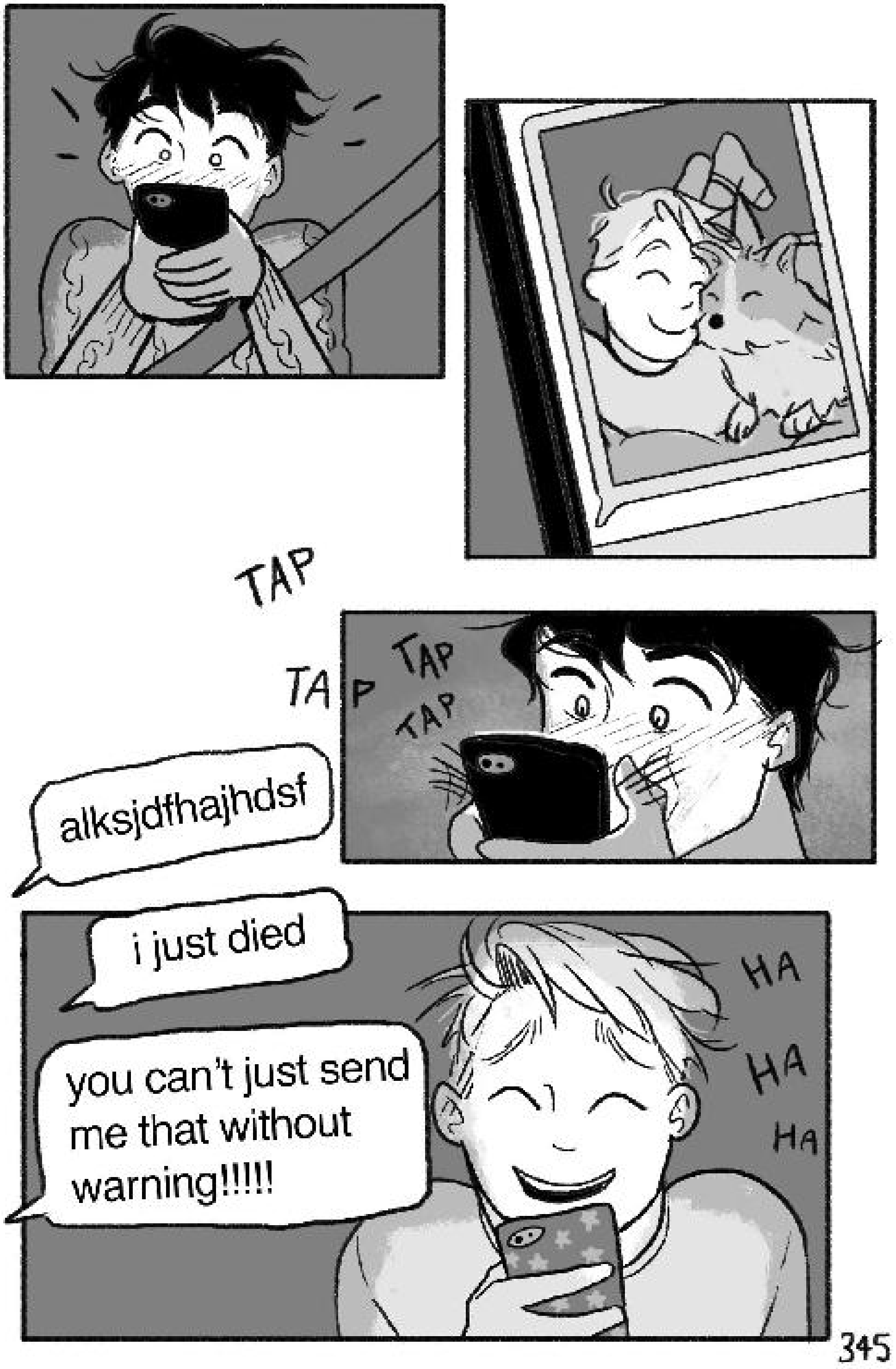
Shit yeah ☺

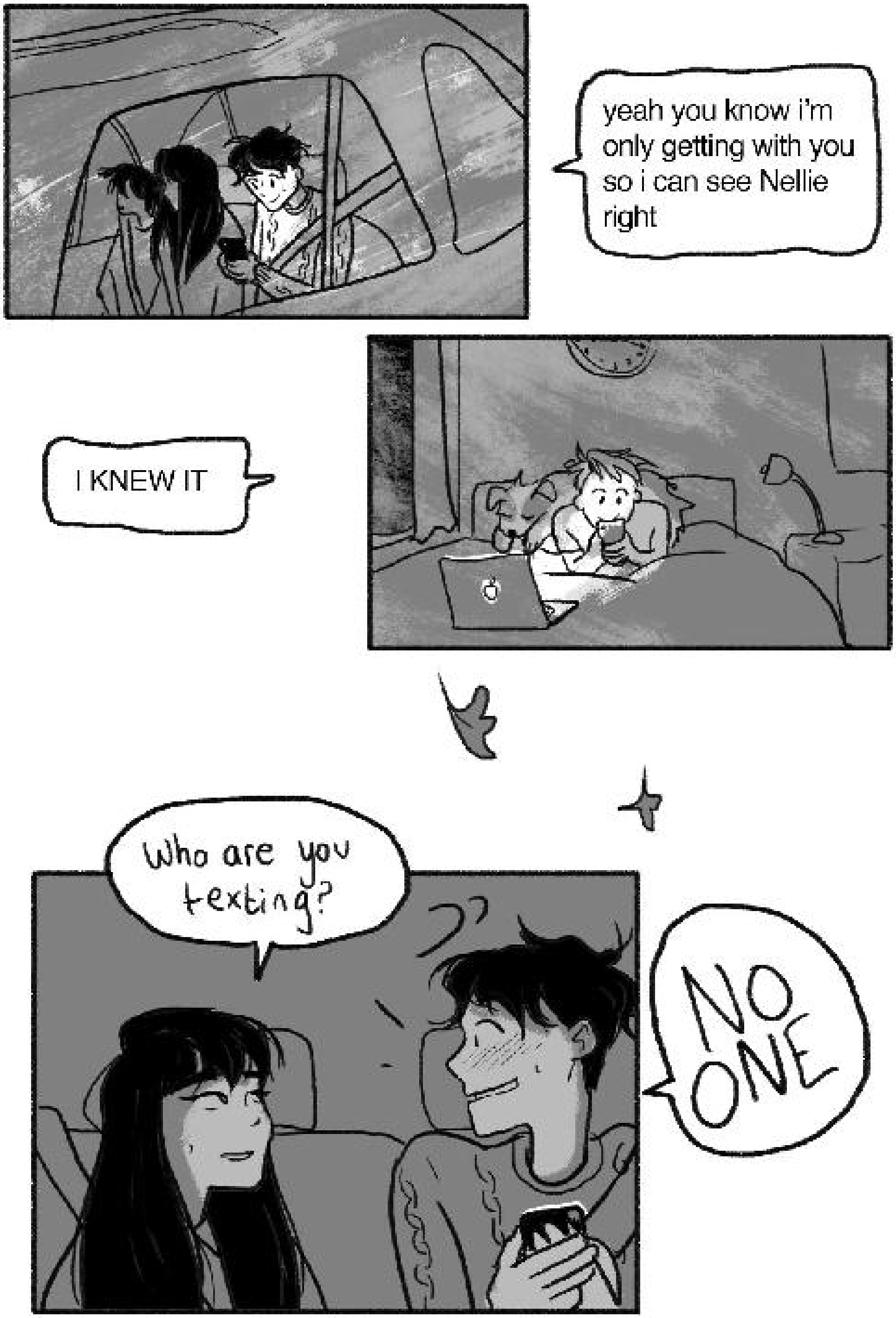
i promise I don't mind!!

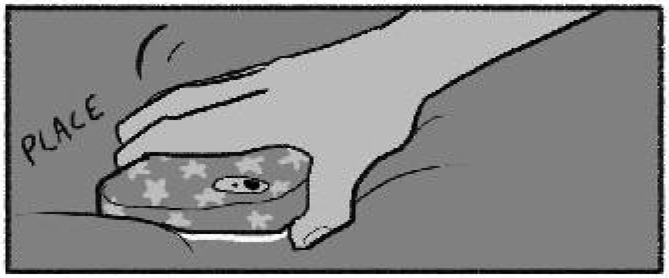


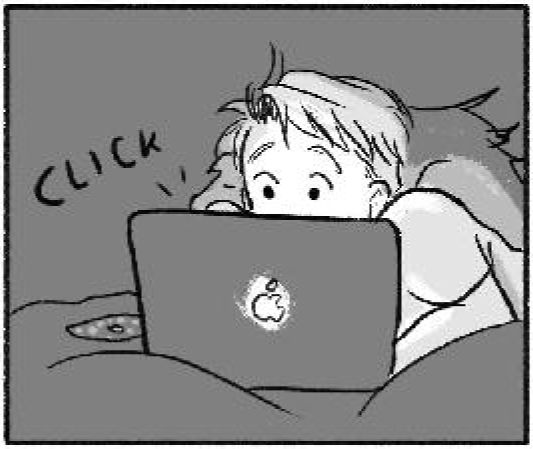

Shit you
i promise i don't mind!!
PING
Why are you so great ♡

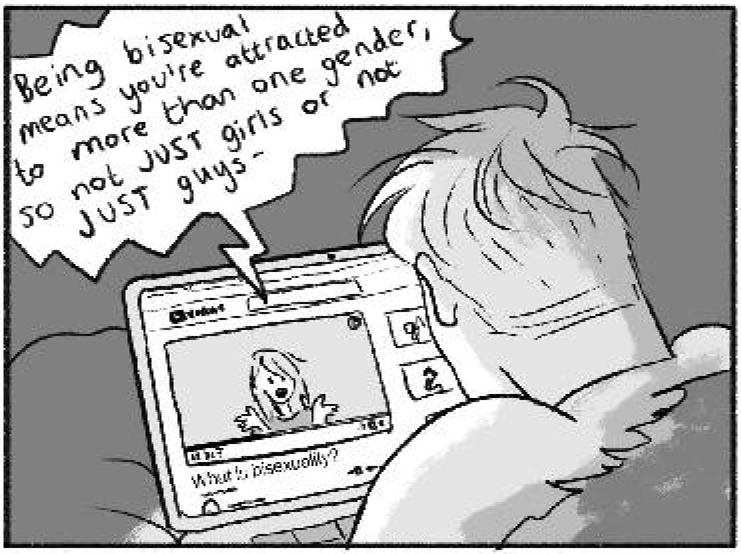

PING
Why are you so great ♡♡
the nicer i am to you, the more chances i will get to hang out with your dog
HA HA
SNAP
SEND

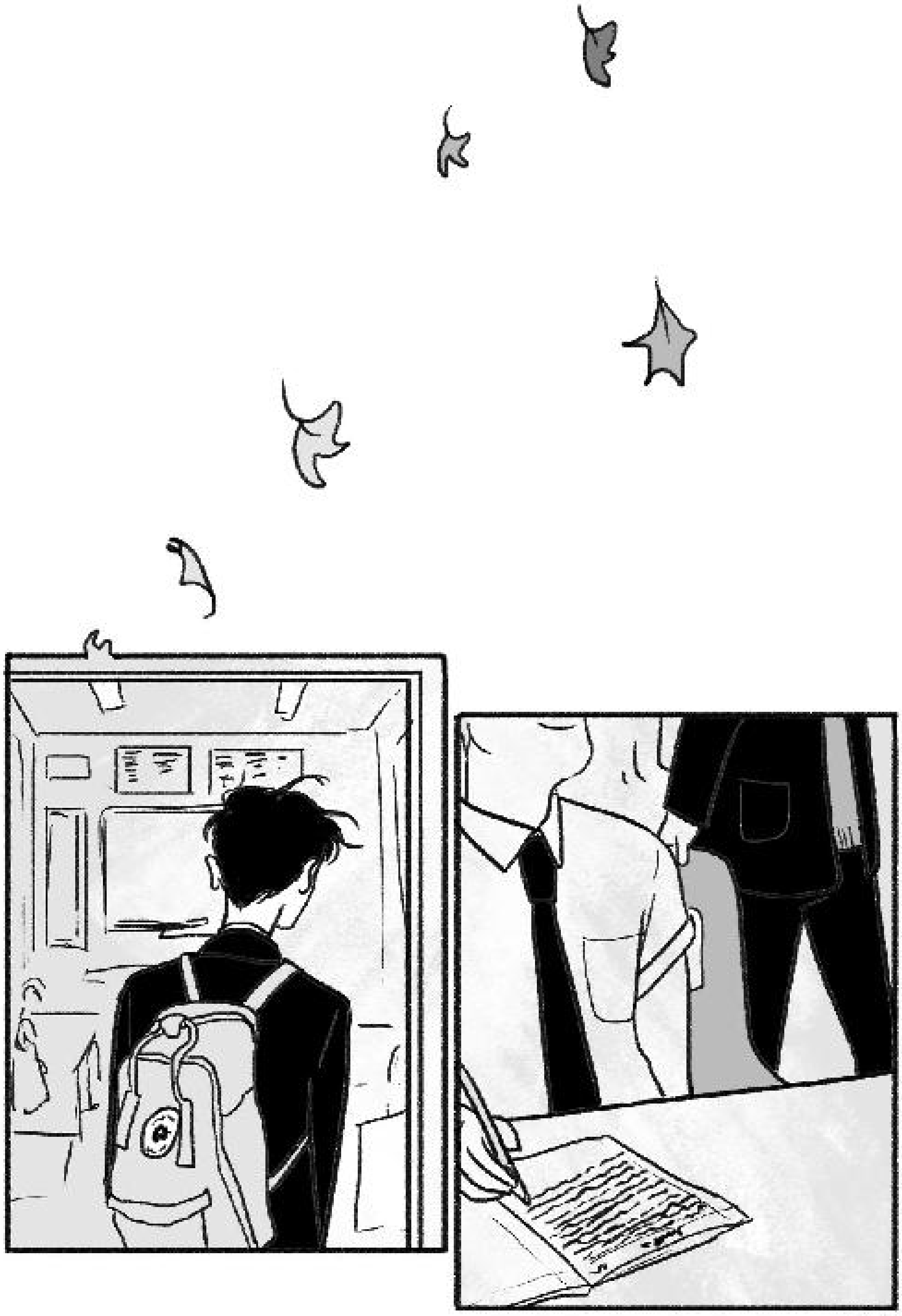

TAP
TA P
TAP
TAP
alksjdfhajhdsf
i just died
you can't just send me that without warning!!!!!
HA
HA
HA

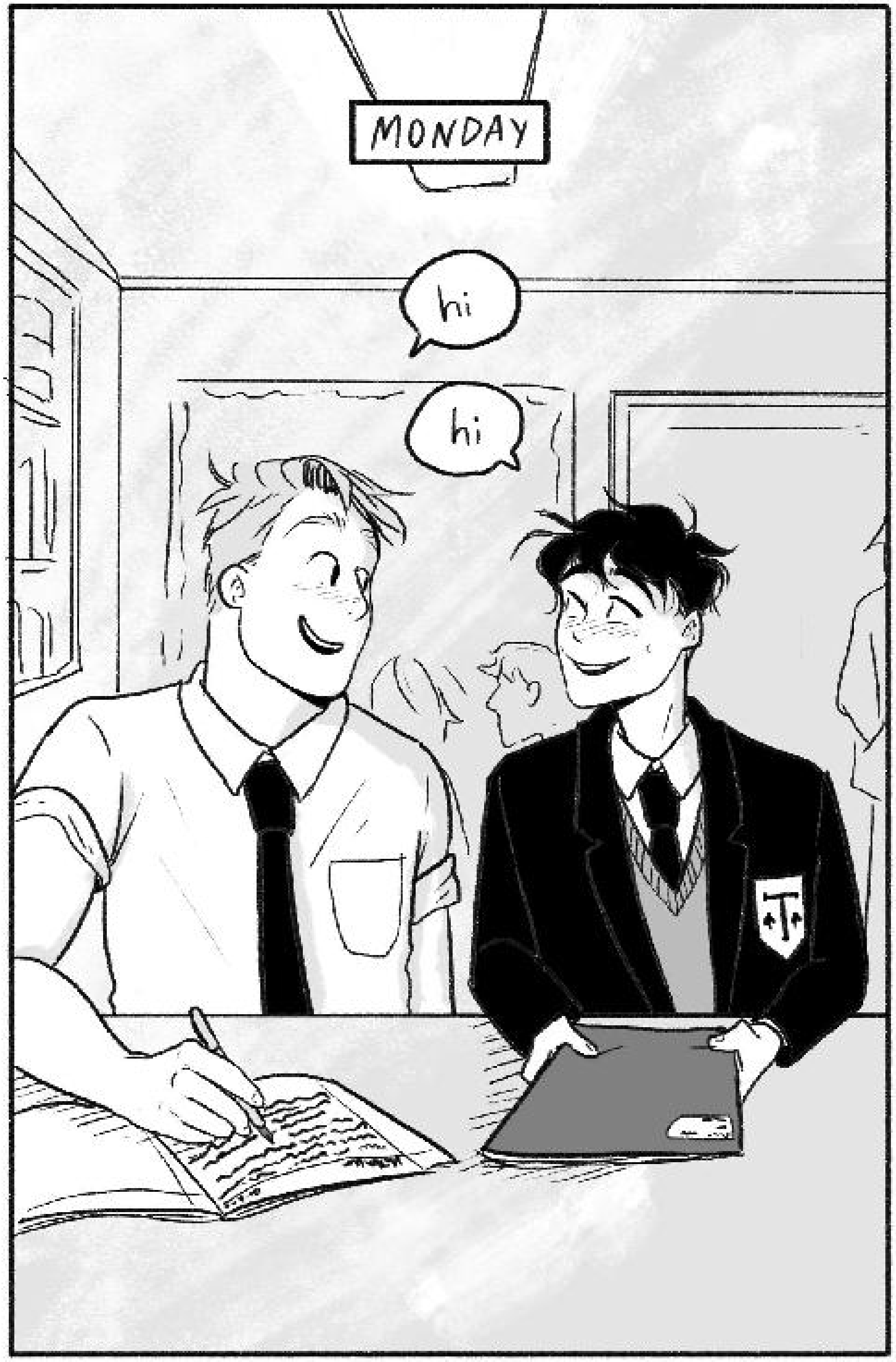

yeah you know i'm only getting with you so i can see Nellie right
I KNEW IT
Who are you texting?
NO ONE

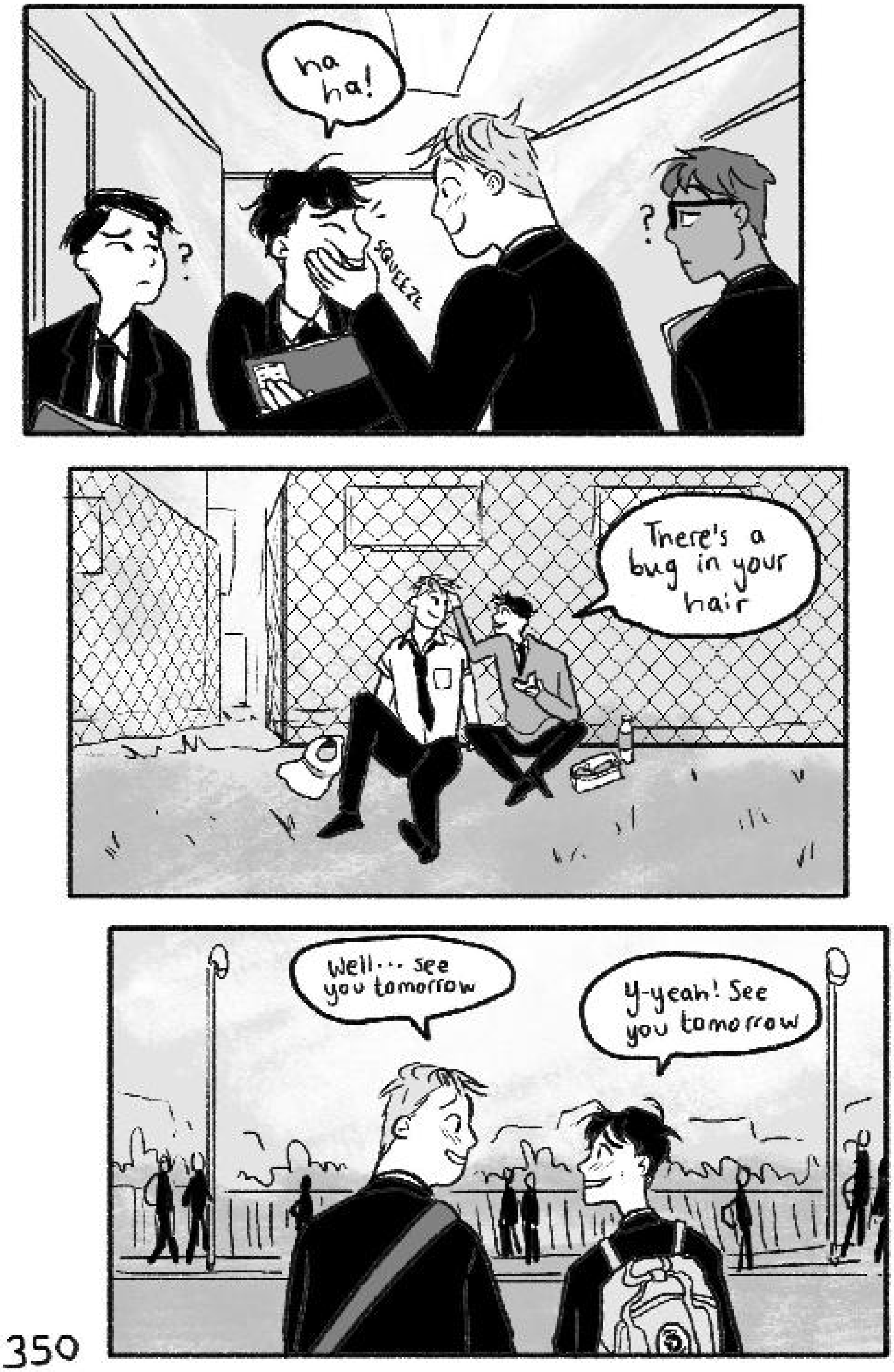

PLACE


CLICK

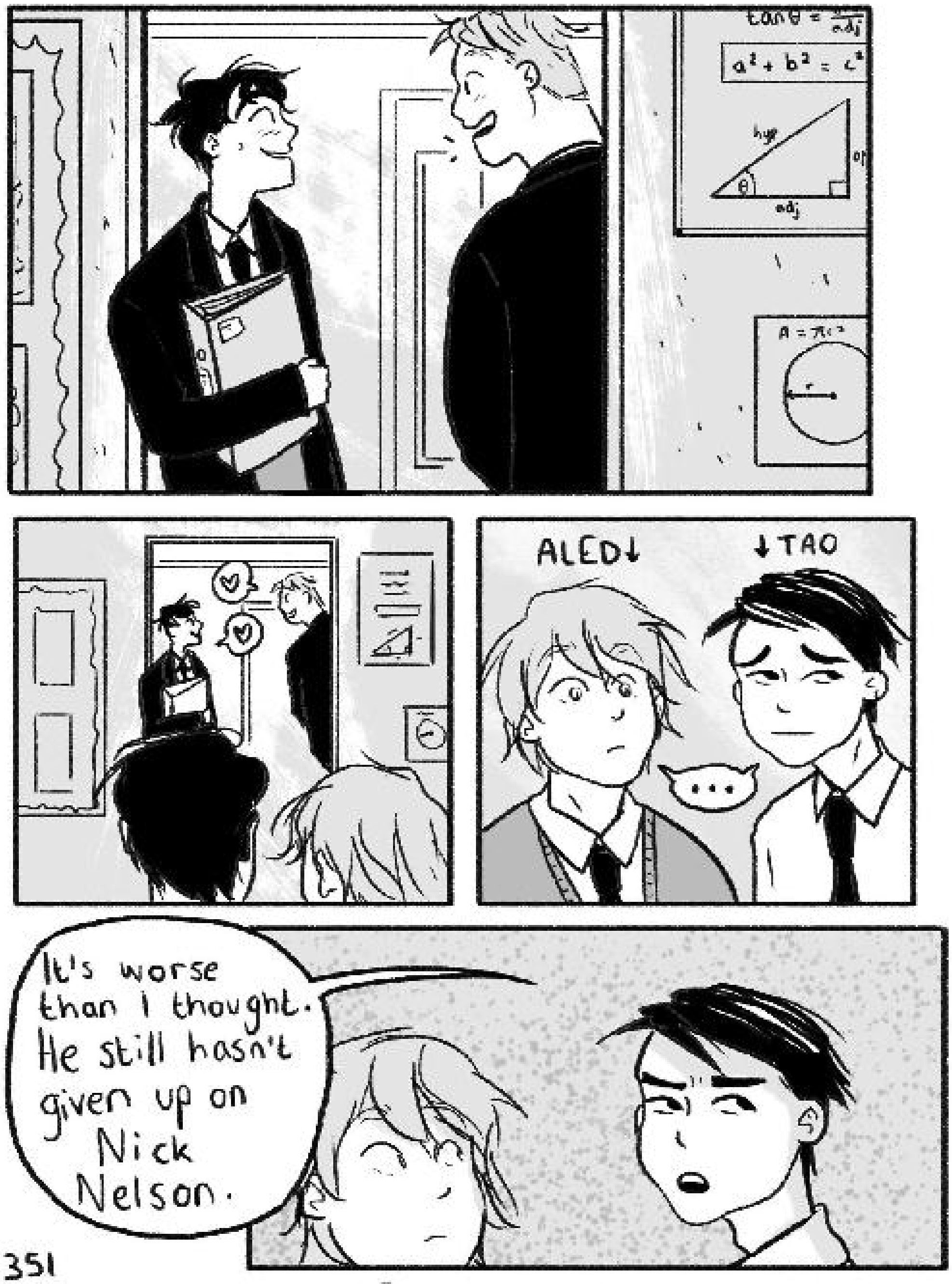

Being bisexual means you're attracted to more than one gender, so not JUST girls or not JUST guys-
What is bisexuality?



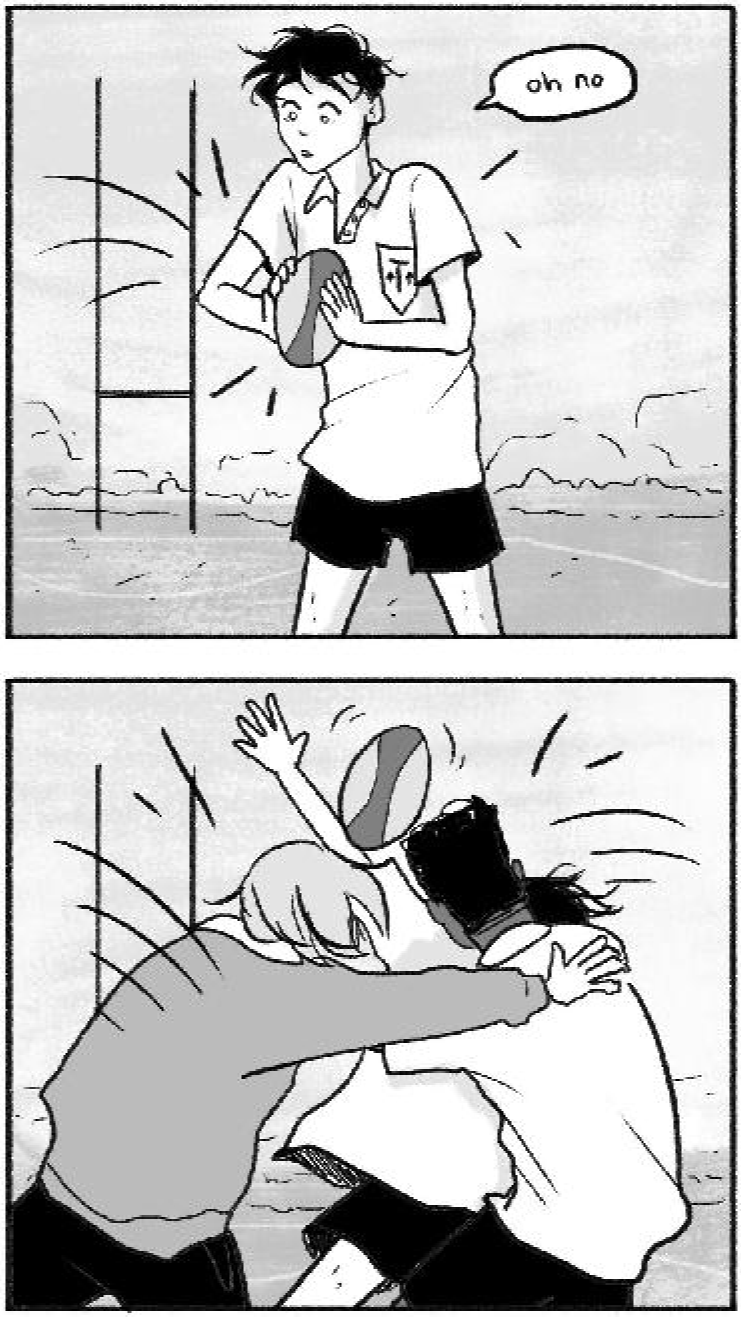

MONDAY
hi
hi

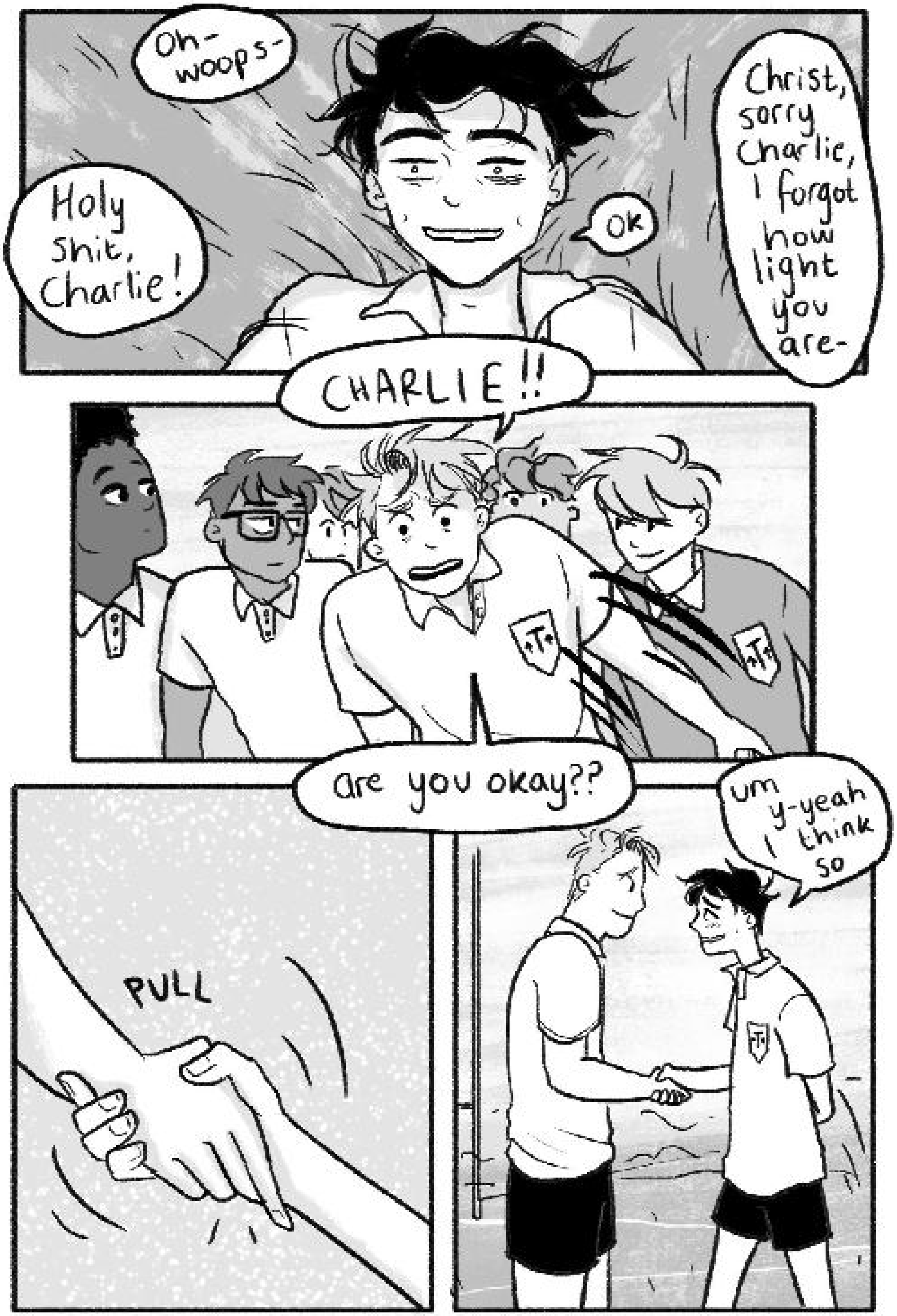

ha ha!
?
SQUEEZE
?
There's a bug in your hair
Well... see you tomorrow
Y-yeah! See you tomorrow

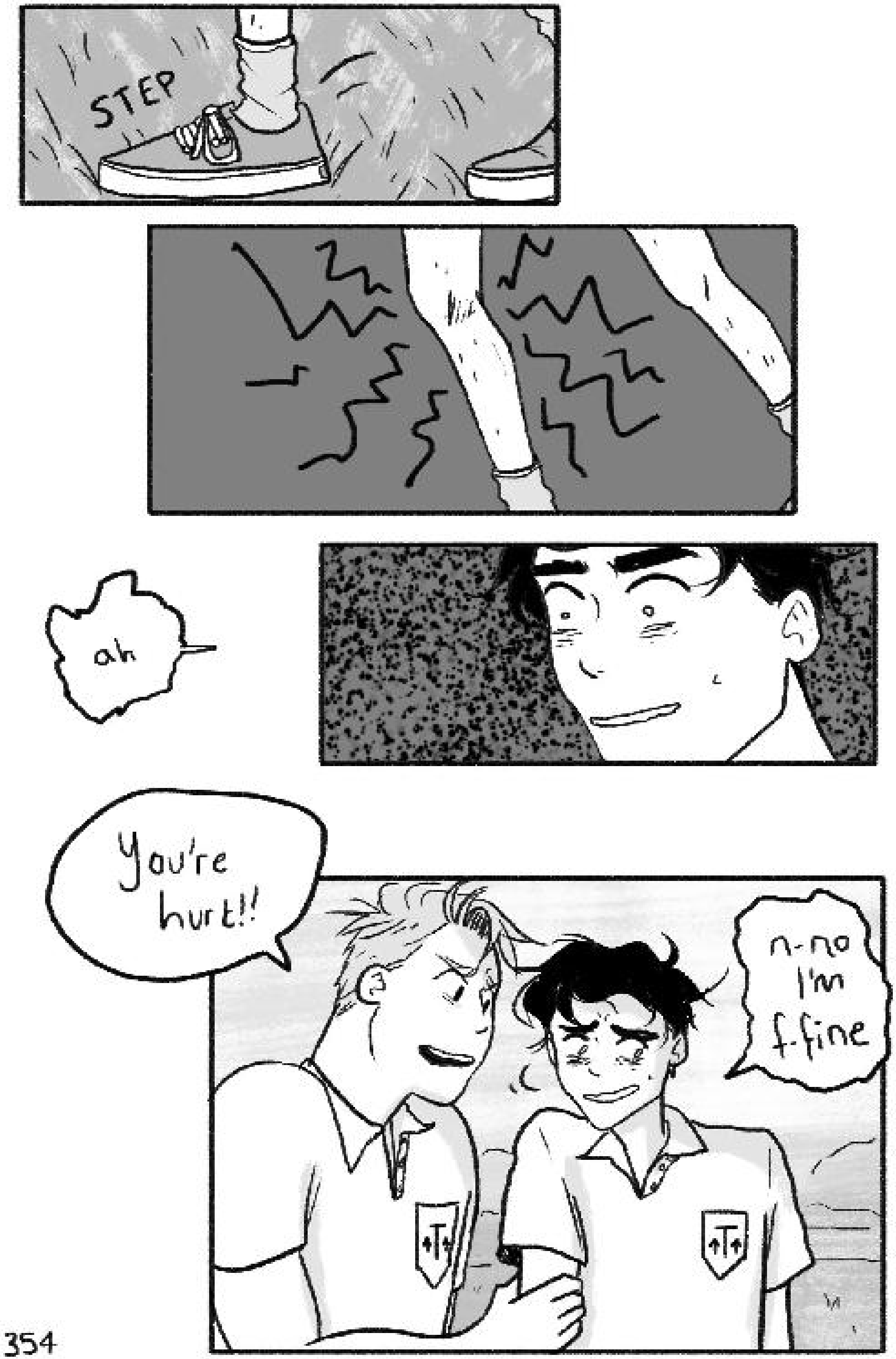
TUESDAY

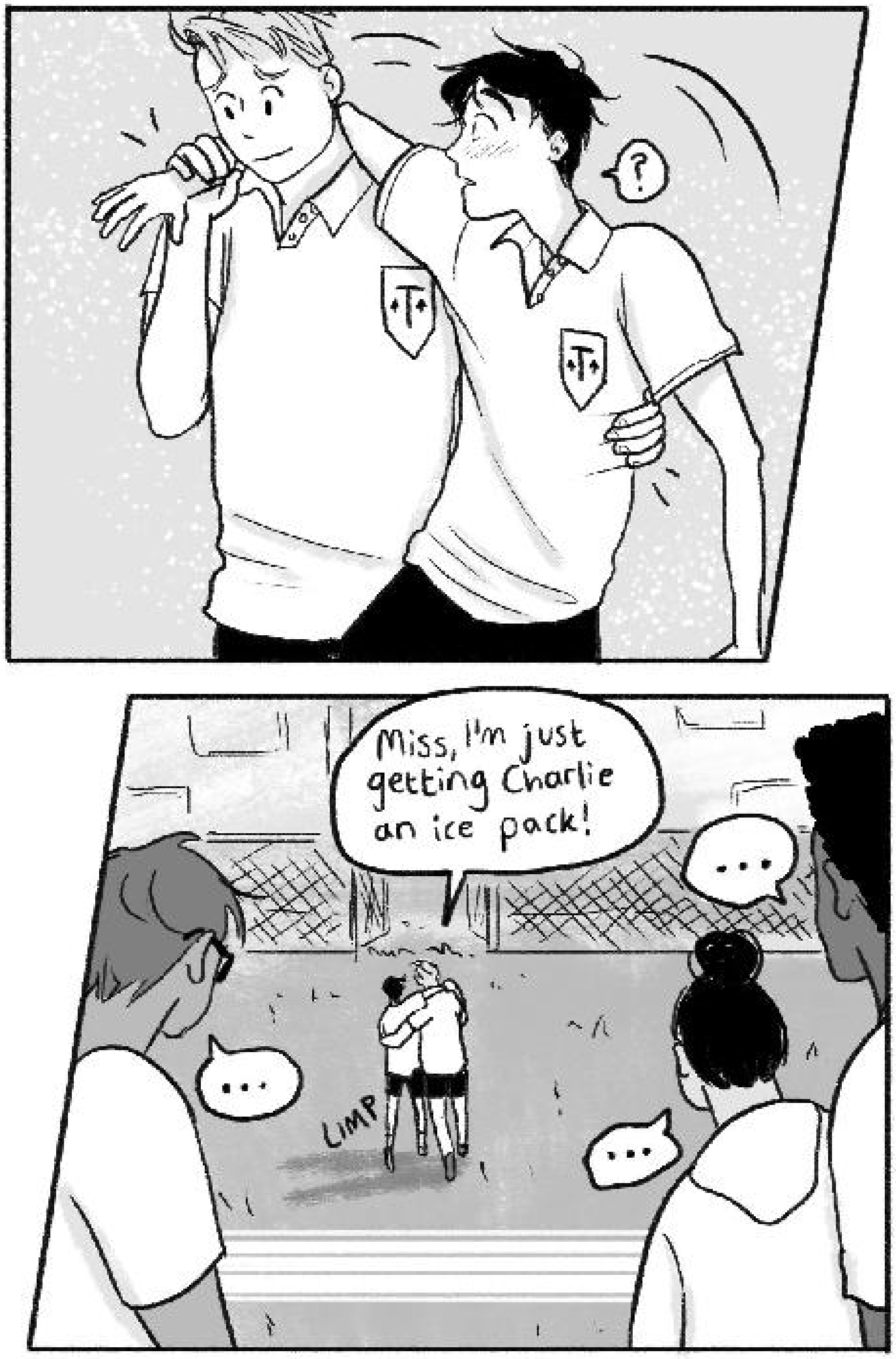

tan θ = opp/adj
a² + b² = c²
hyp
opp
adj
θ
A = πr²
ALED↓
↓TAO
...
It's worse than I thought. He still hasn't given up on Nick Nelson.

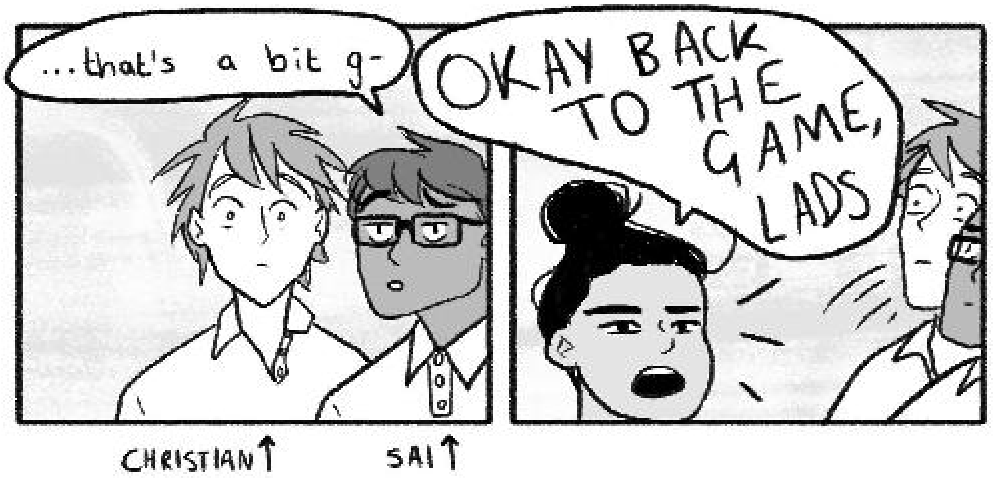
WEDNESDAY

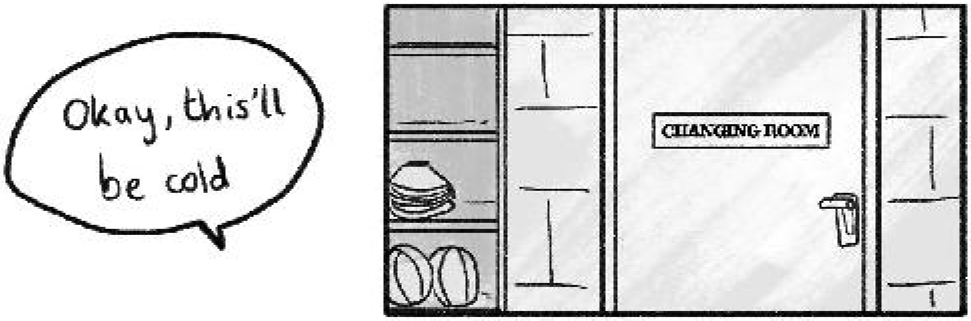


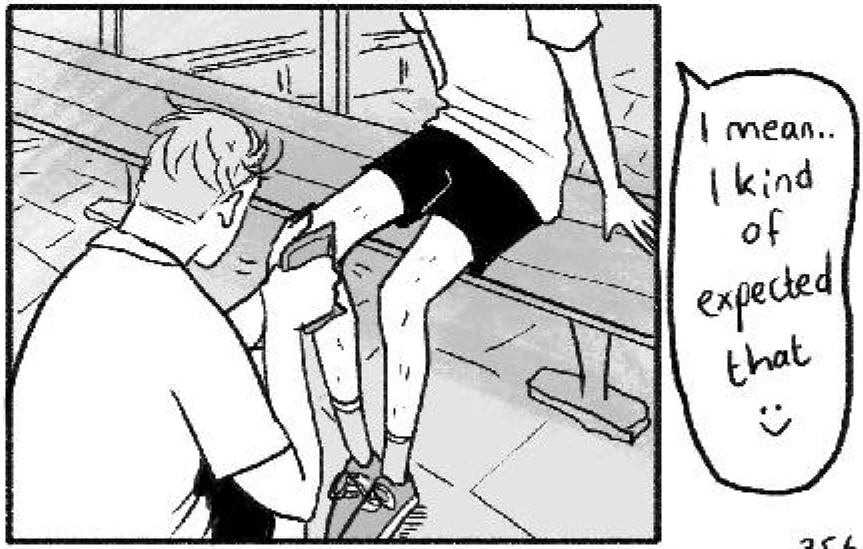

Oh- woops-
Christ, sorry Charlie, I forgot how light you are-
Holy shit, Charlie!
Ok
CHARLIE!!
are you okay??
PULL
um y-yeah I think so

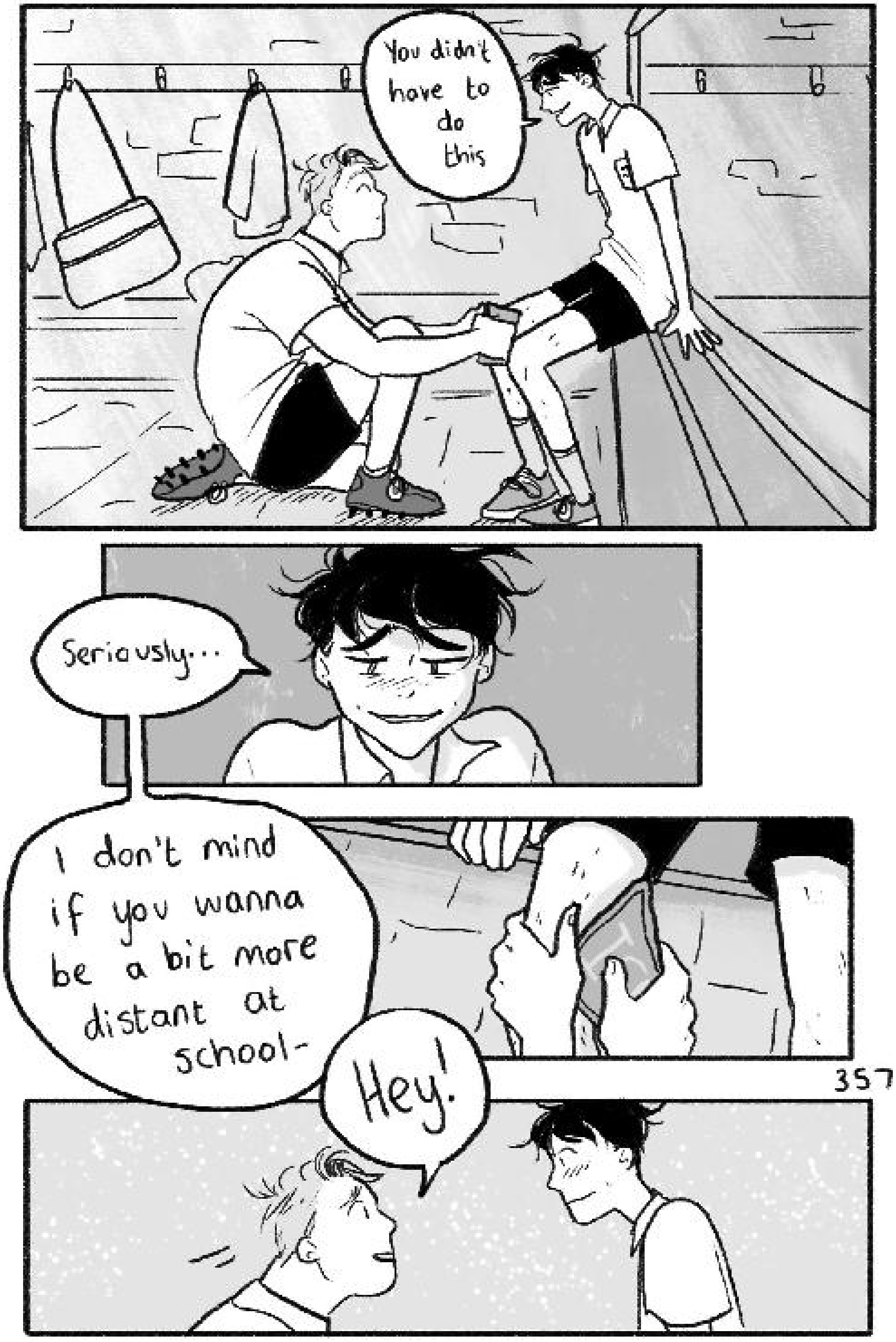

STEP
ah
You're hurt!!
n-no I'm f-fine

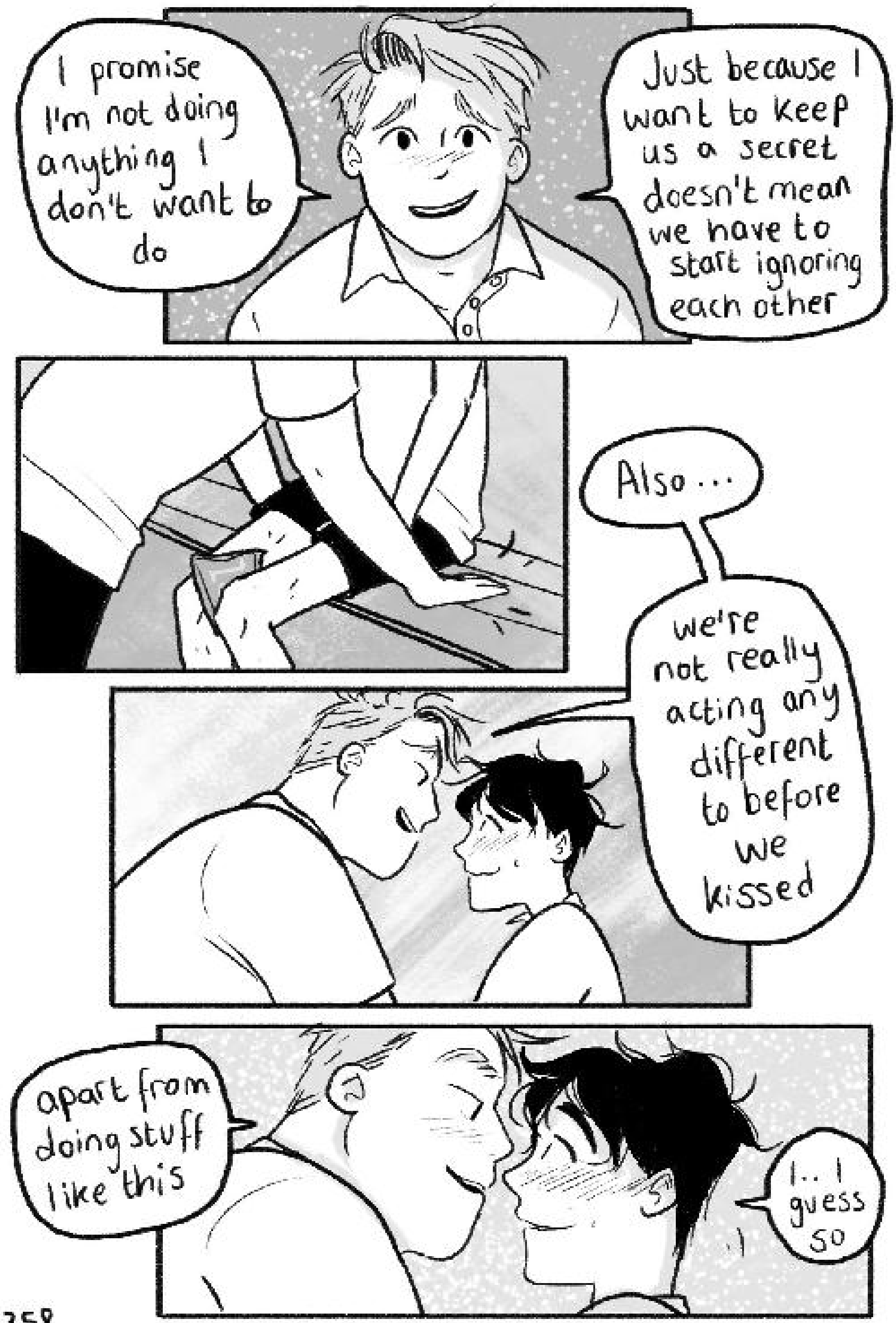

?
Miss, I'm just getting Charlie an ice pack!
...
...
...
LIMP

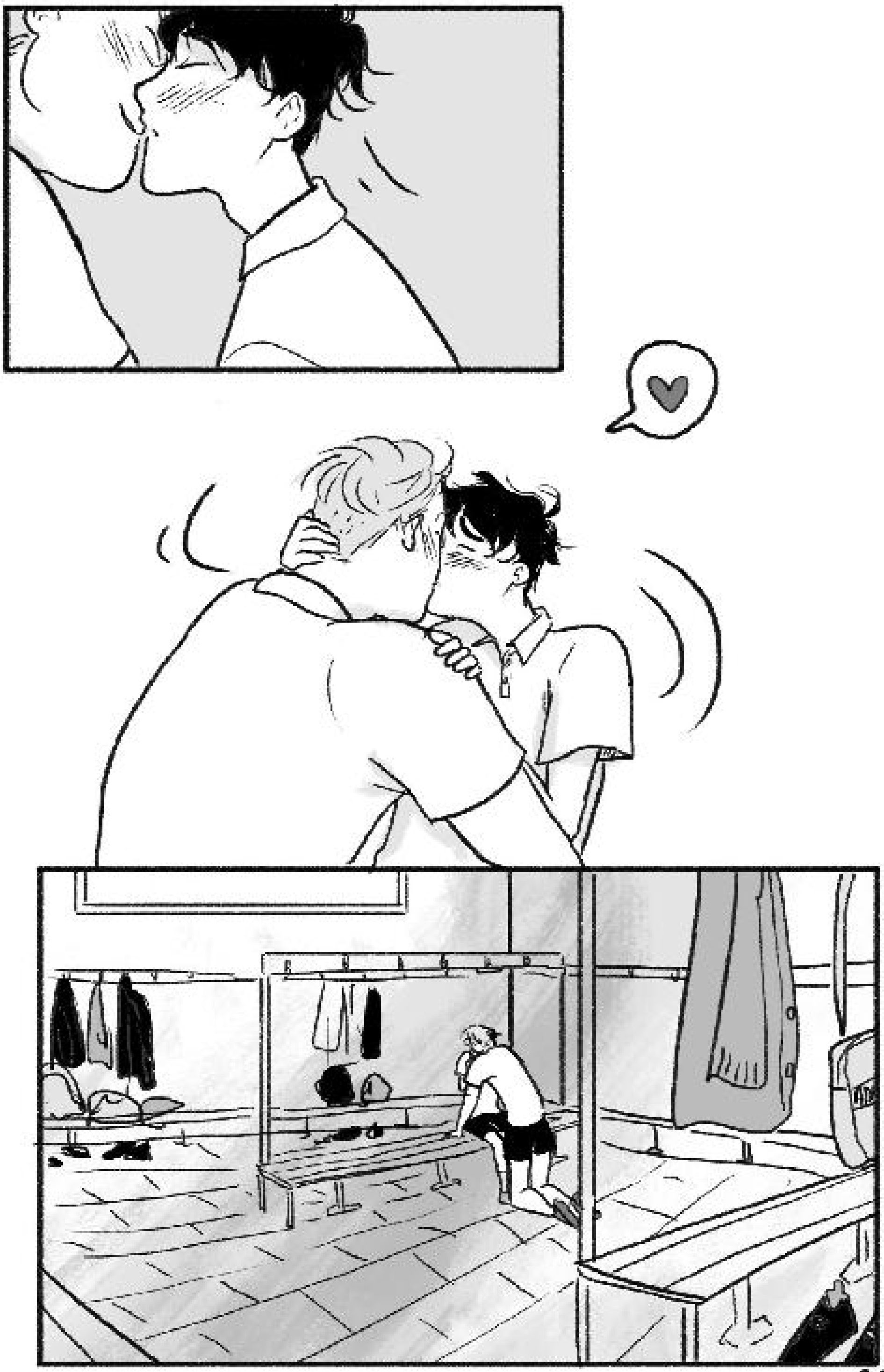

...that's a bit g-
OKAY BACK TO THE GAME, LADS
CHRISTIAN↑
SAI↑

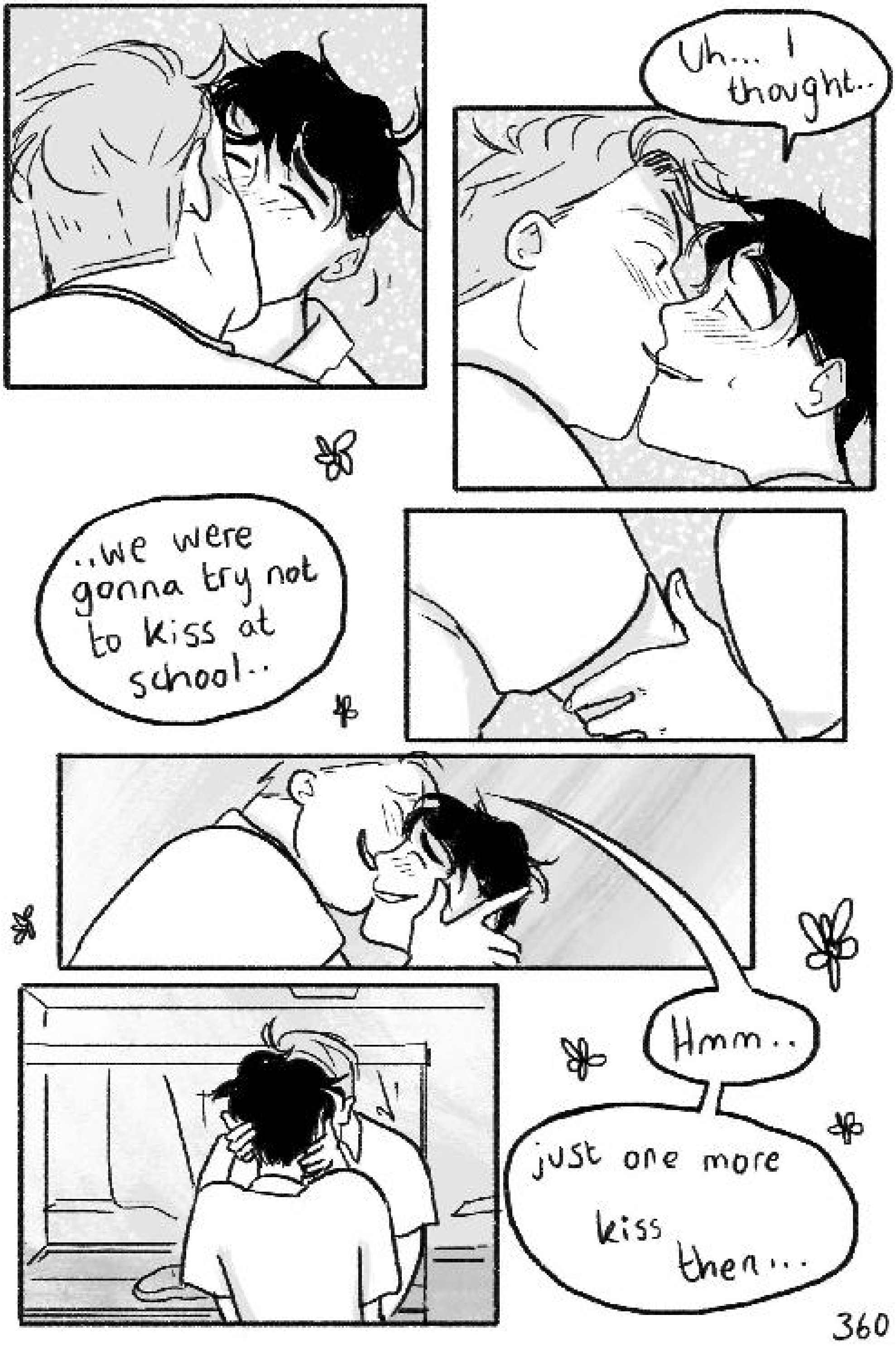

Okay, this'll be cold
CHANGING ROOM


I mean.. I kind of expected that :)

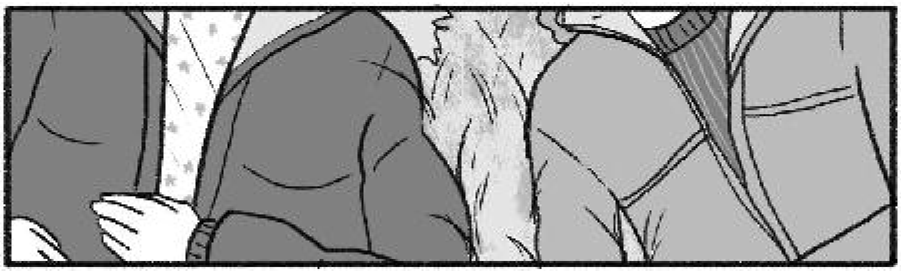

You didn't have to do this
Seriously...
I don't mind if you wanna be a bit more distant at school-
Hey!

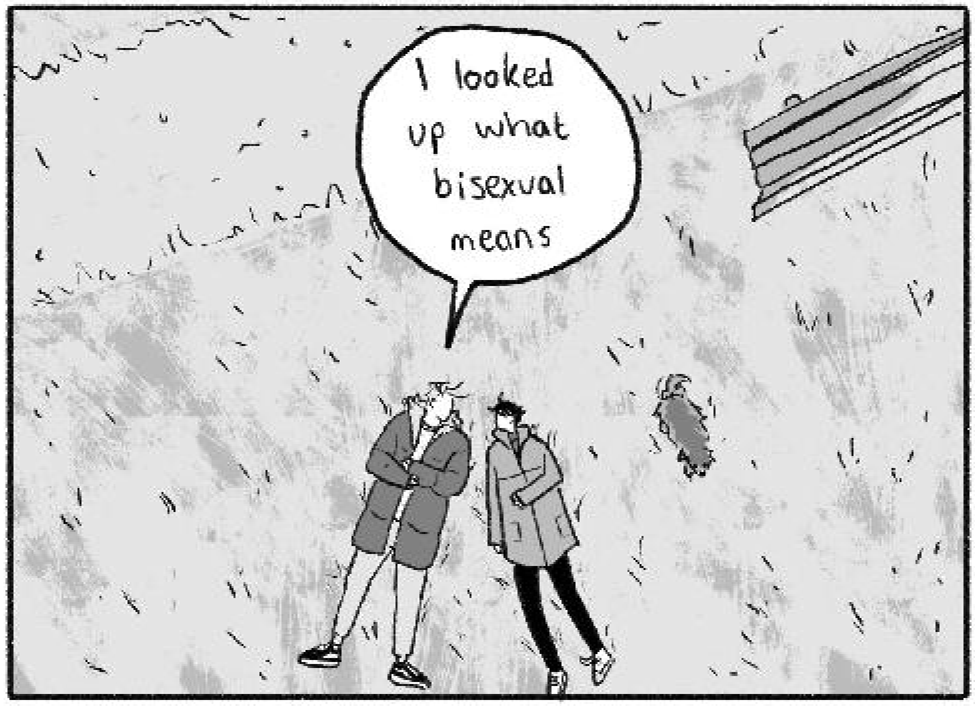

I promise I'm not doing anything I don't want to do
Just because I want to keep us a secret doesn't mean we have to start ignoring each other
Also...
we're not really acting any different to before we kissed
apart from doing stuff like this
I.. I guess so

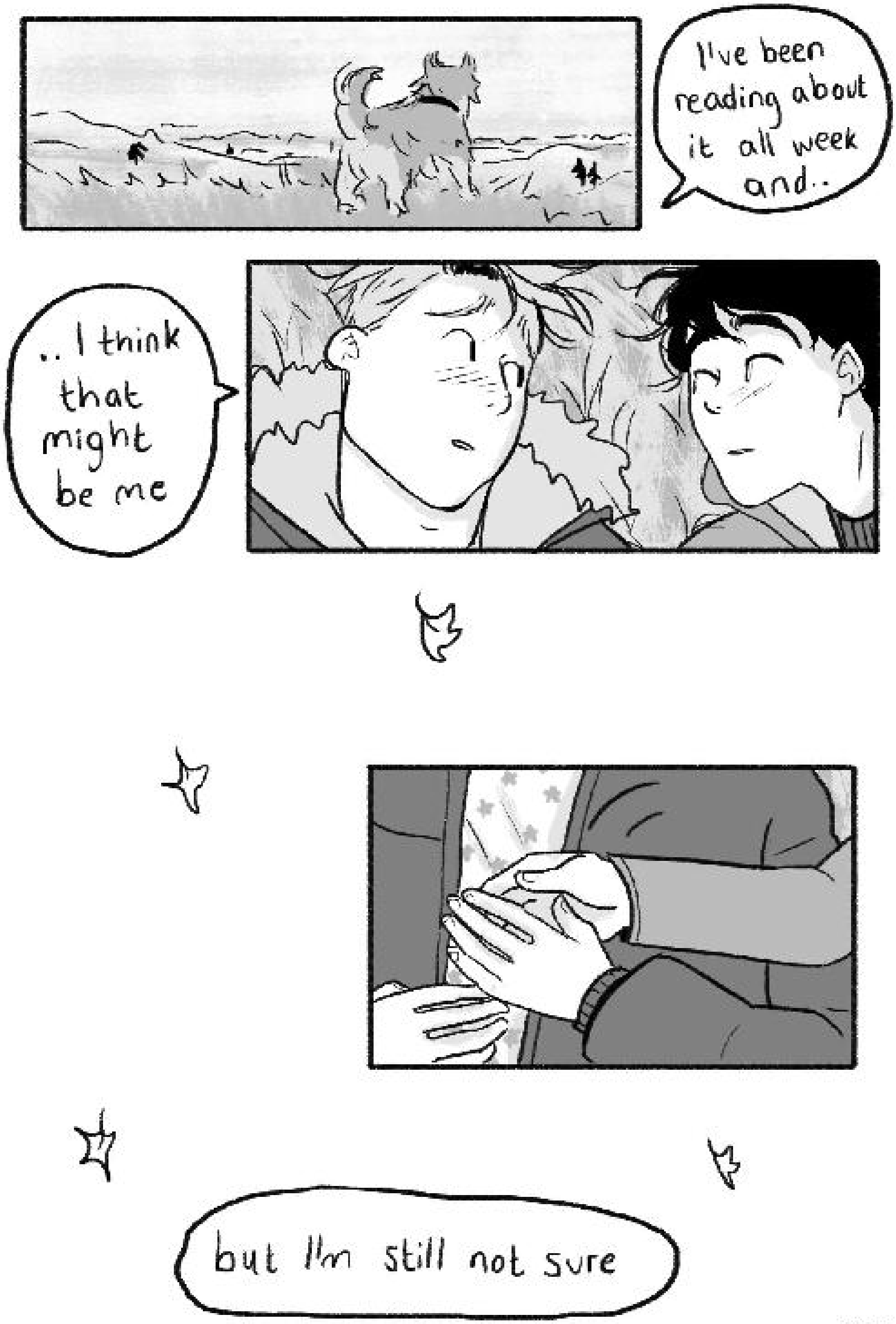


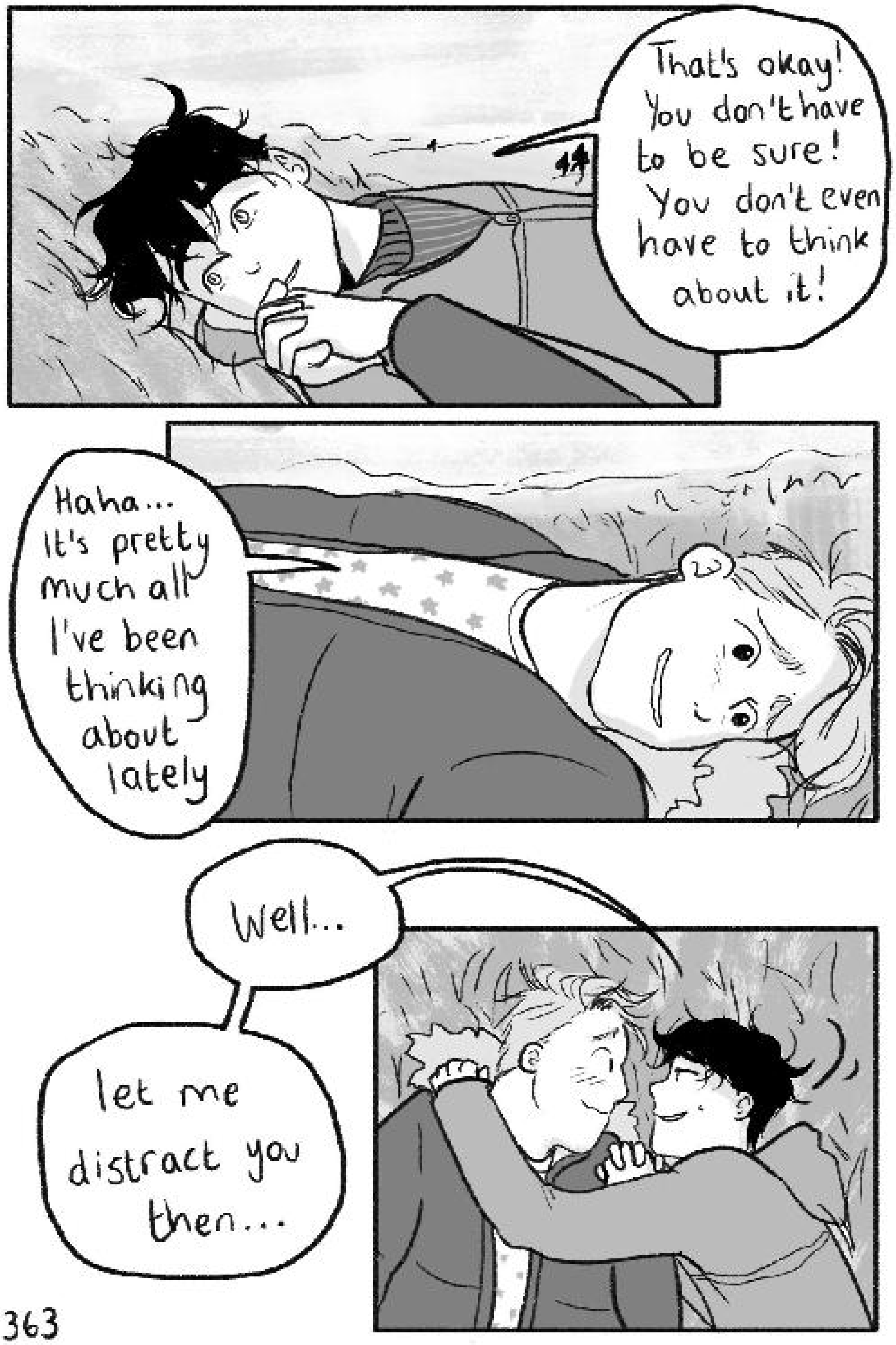

Uh... I thought..
..we were gonna try not to kiss at school..
Hmm..
just one more kiss then...

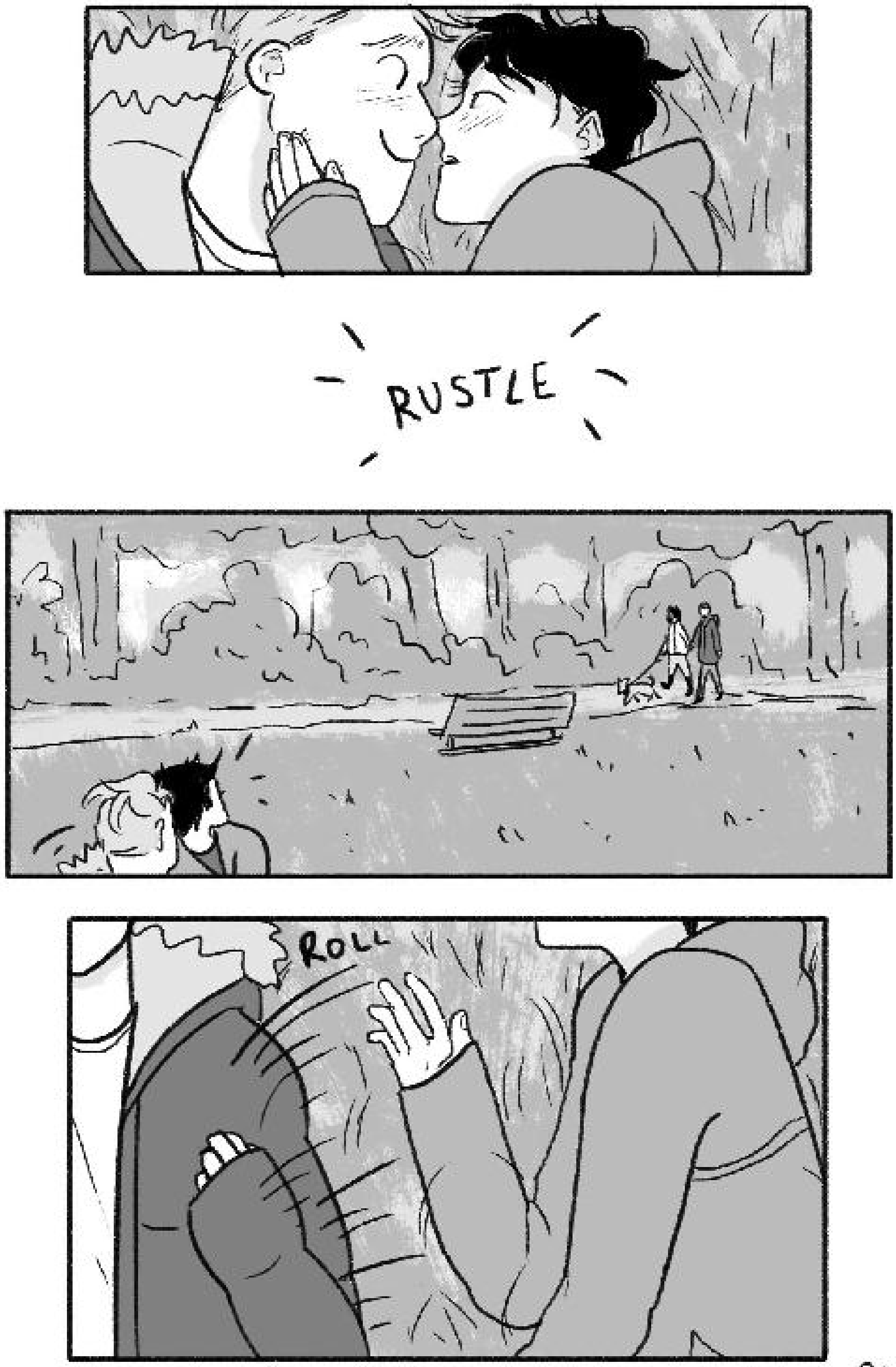
THURSDAY

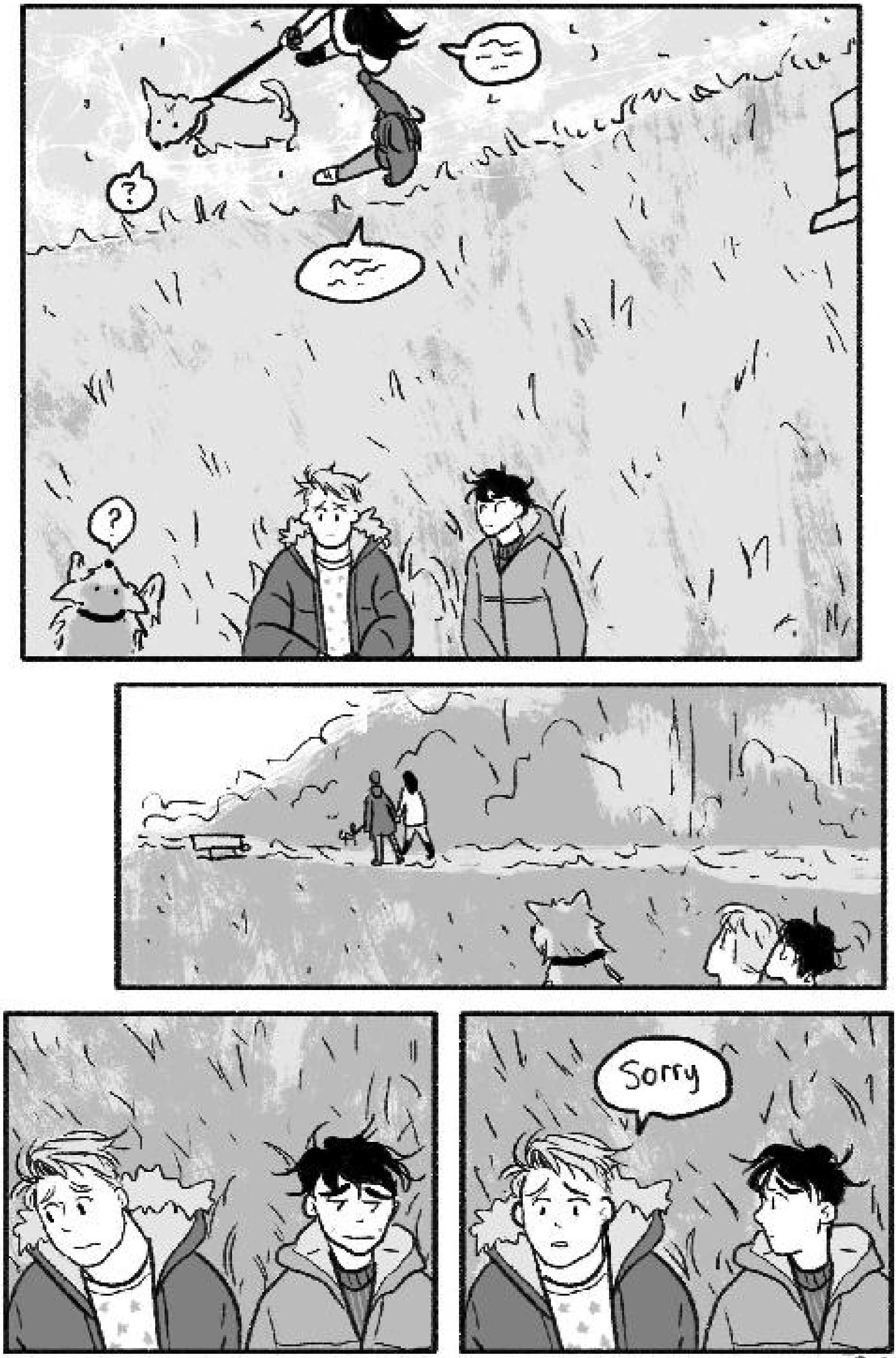


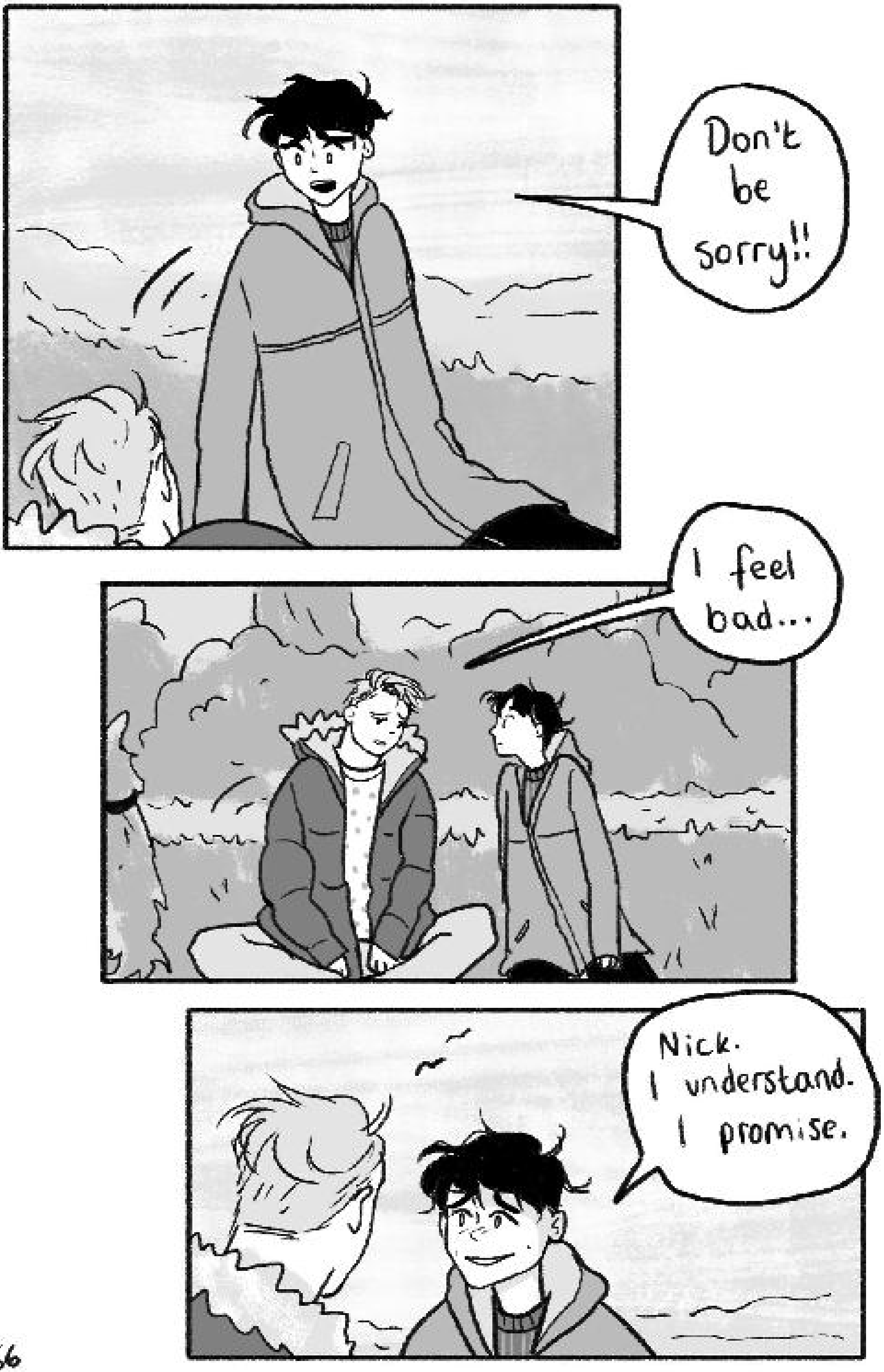

I looked up what bisexual means

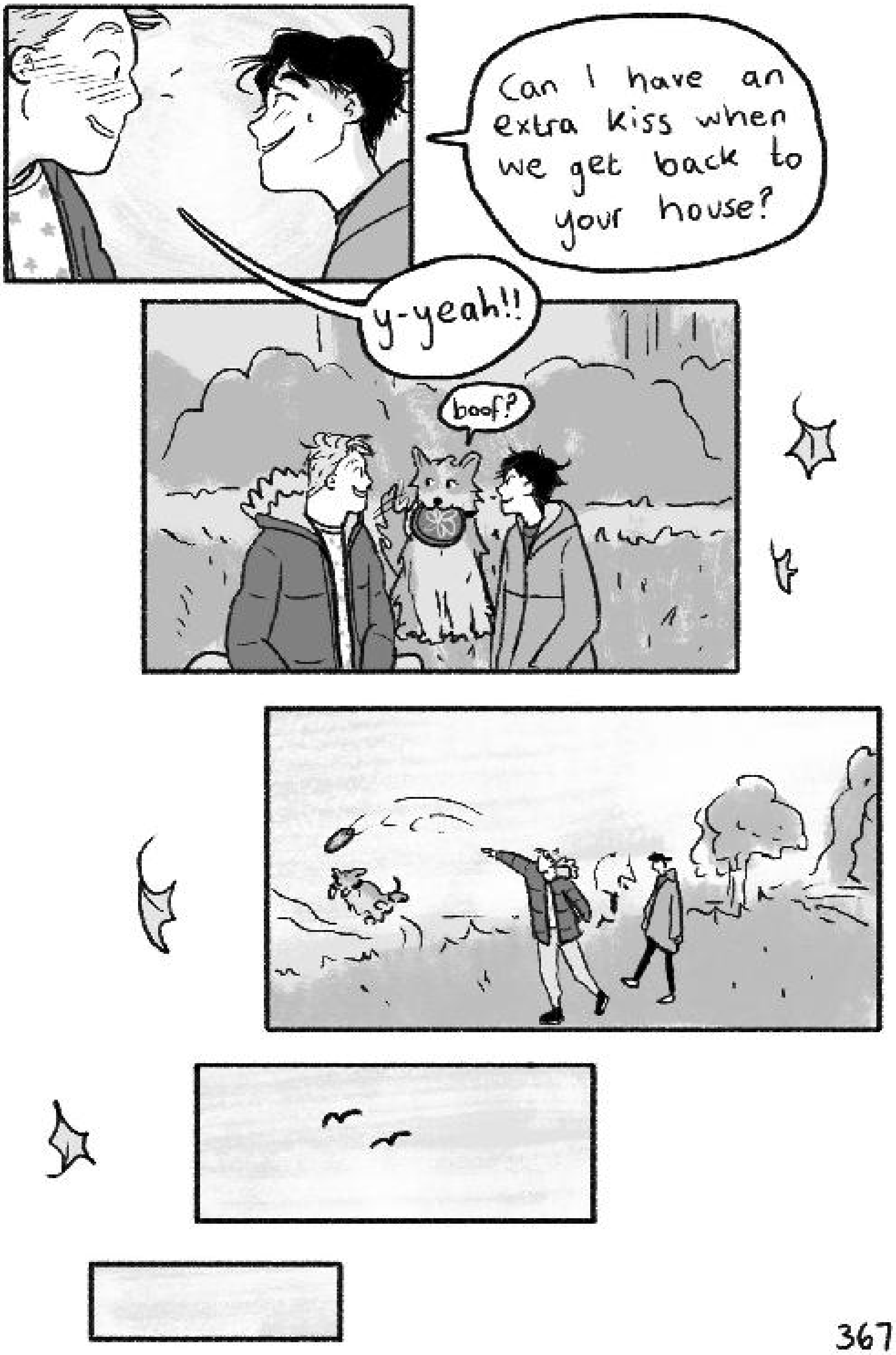

I've been reading about it all week and..
..I think that might be me
but I'm still not sure

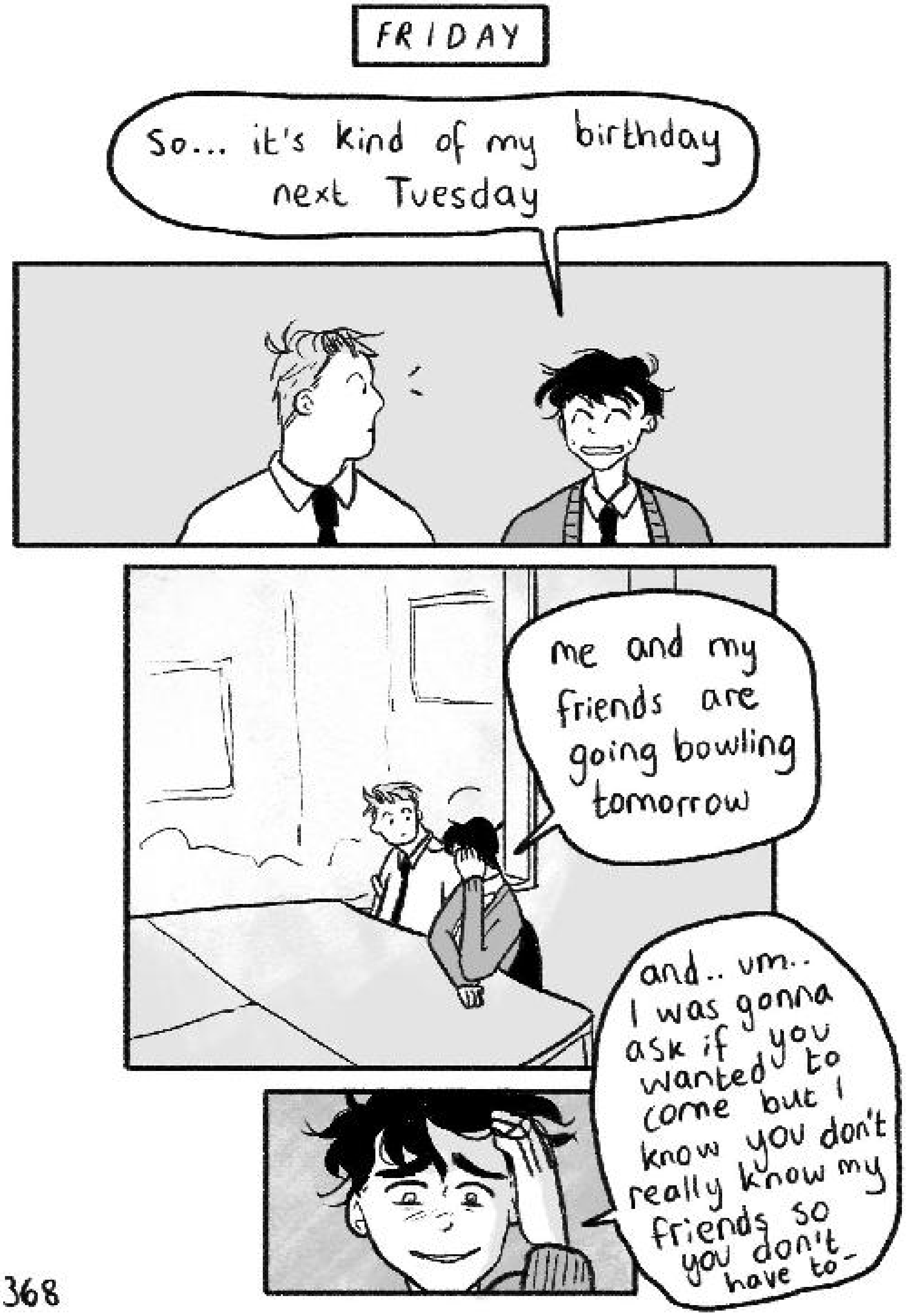

That's okay! You don't have to be sure! You don't even have to think about it!
Haha... It's pretty much all I've been thinking about lately
Well...
let me distract you then...

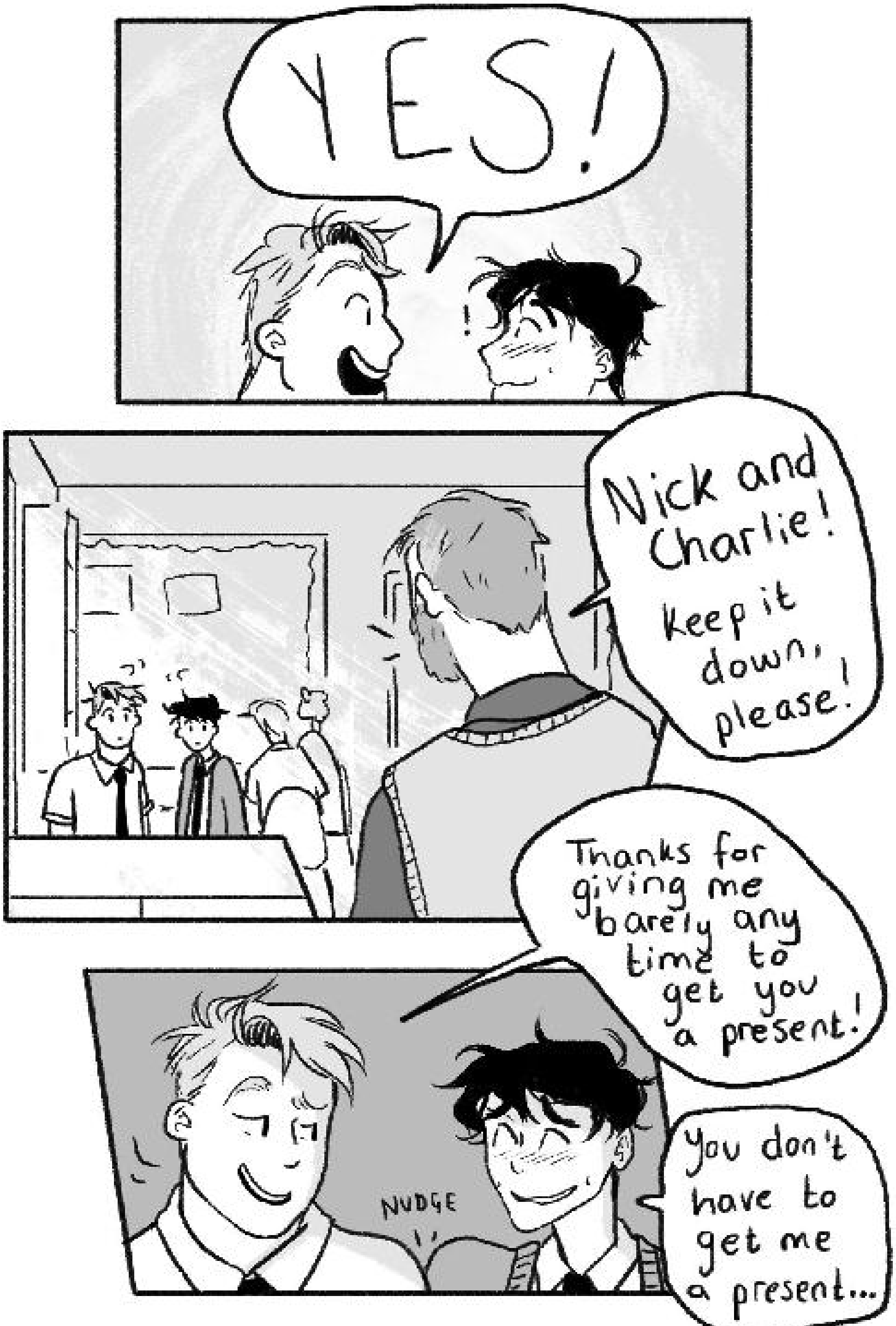

RUSTLE
ROLL

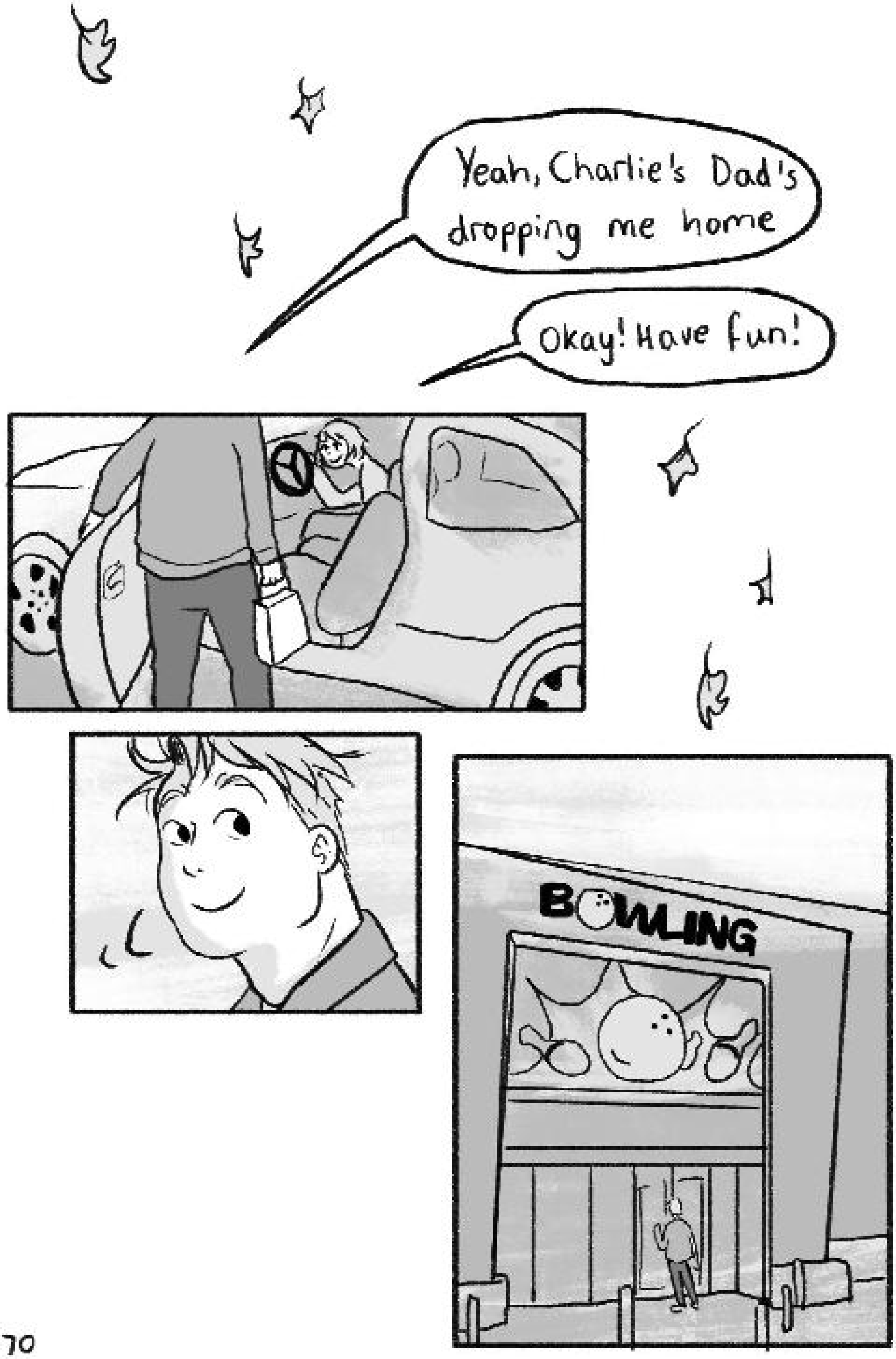

?
?
Sorry

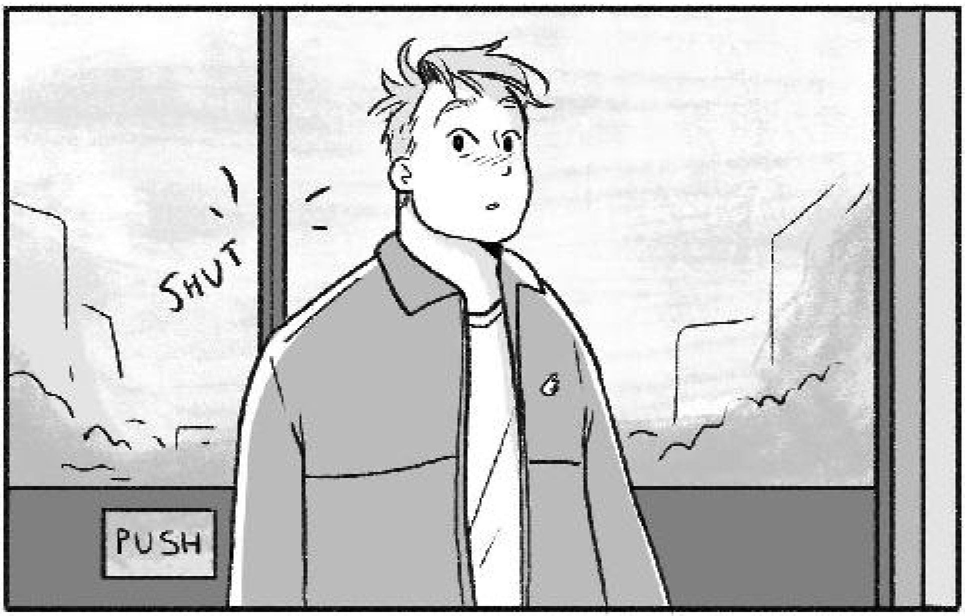

Don't be sorry!!
I feel bad...
Nick. I understand. I promise.

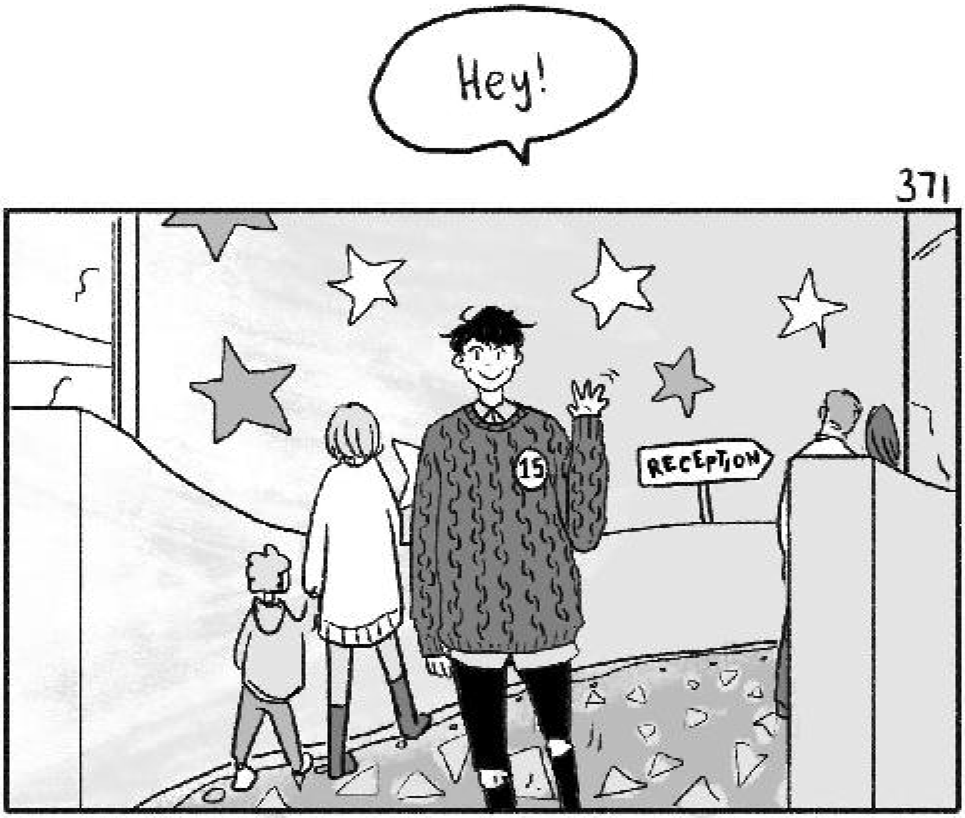

Can I have an extra kiss when we get back to your house?
y-yeah!!
boof?


FRIDAY
So... it's kind of my birthday next Tuesday
me and my friends are going bowling tomorrow
and.. um.. I was gonna ask if you wanted to come but I know you don't really know my friends so you don't have to-


YES!
!
Nick and Charlie! Keep it down, please!
Thanks for giving me barely any time to get you a present!
NUDGE
You don't have to get me a present...


Yeah, Charlie's Dad's dropping me home
Okay! Have fun!
BOWLING


SHUT
PUSH


Hey!
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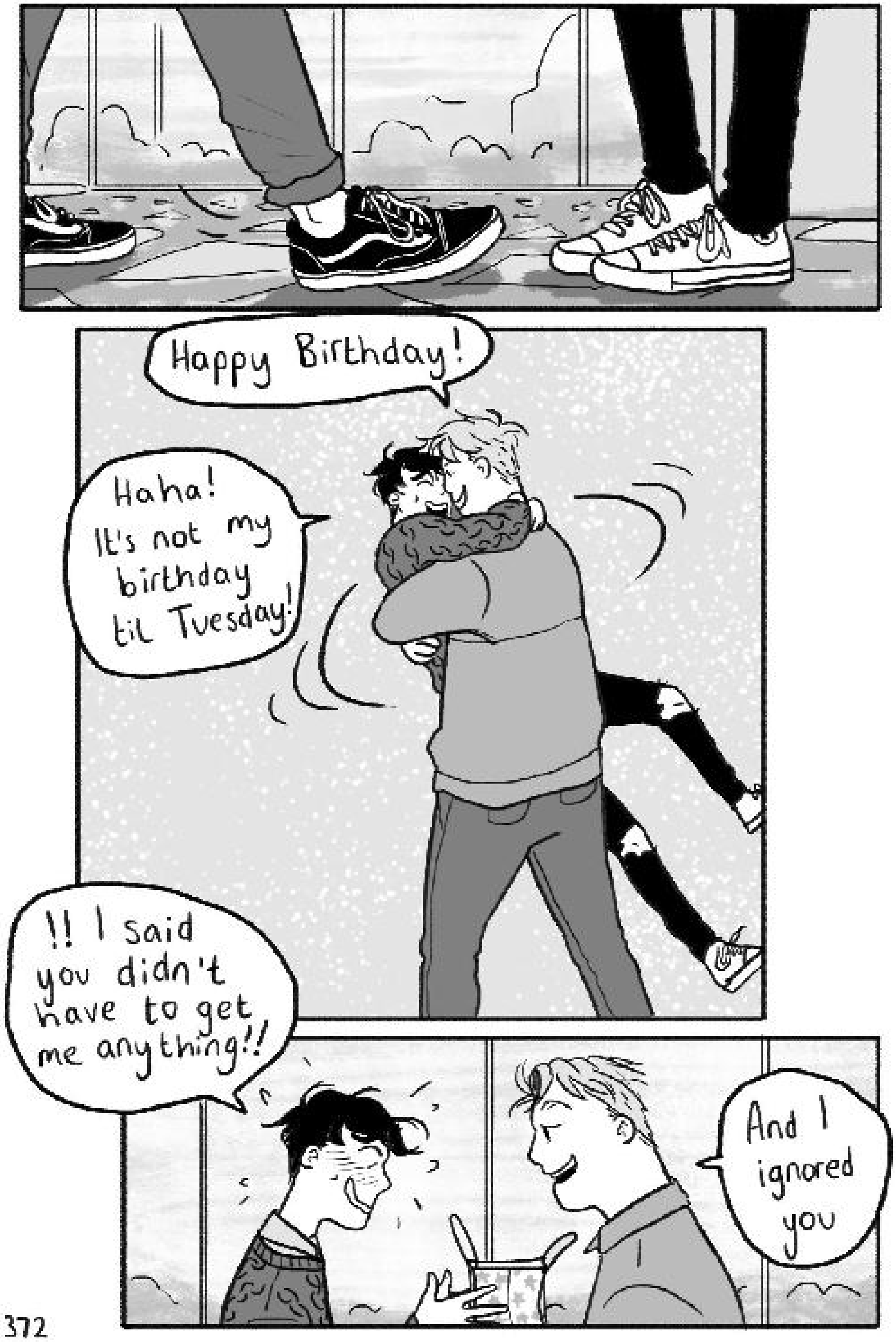
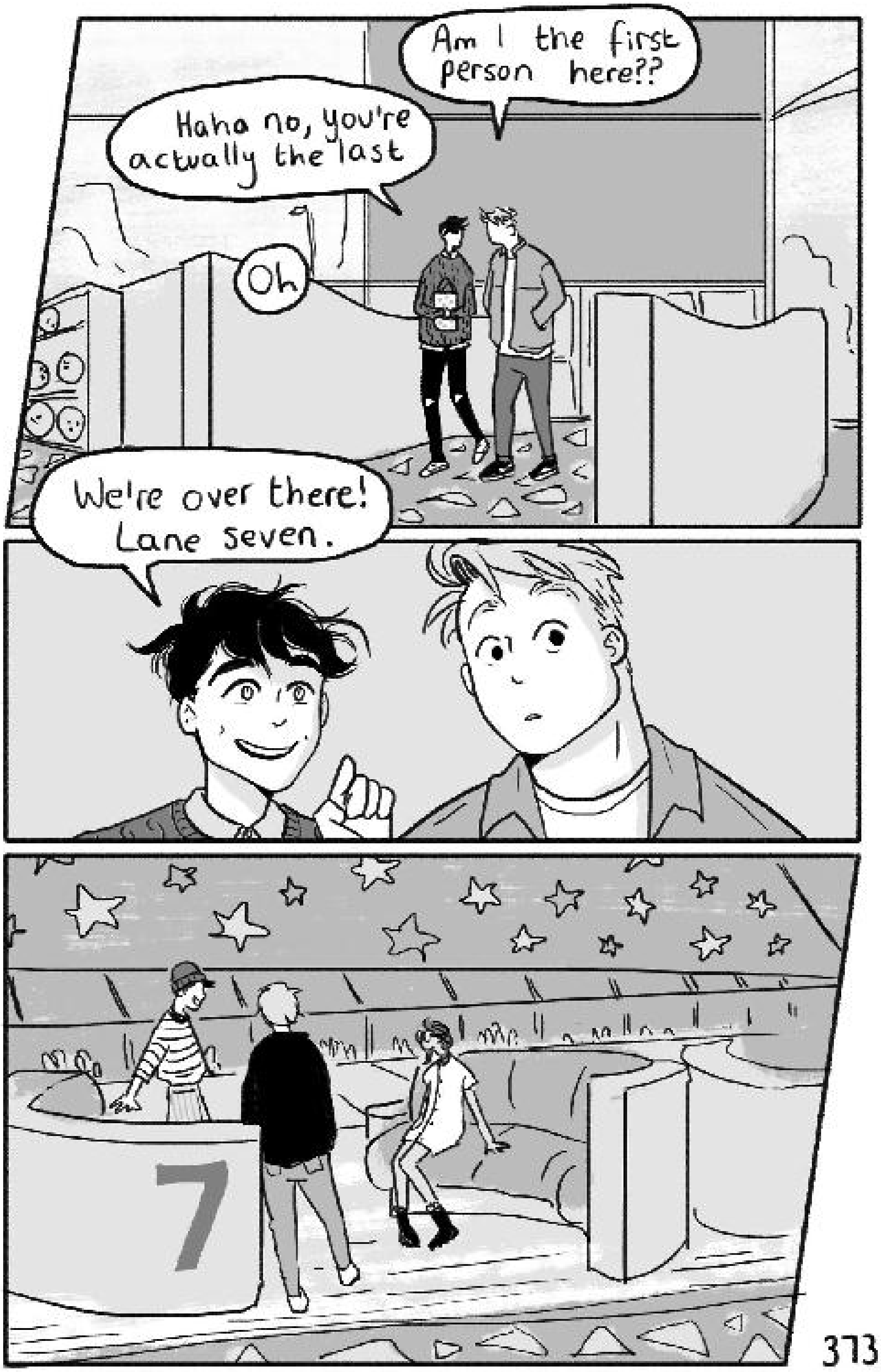
RECEPTION


Happy Birthday!
Haha! It's not my birthday til Tuesday!
!! I said you didn't have to get me anything!!
And I ignored you


Am I the first person here??
Haha no, you're actually the last
Oh
We're over there! Lane seven.
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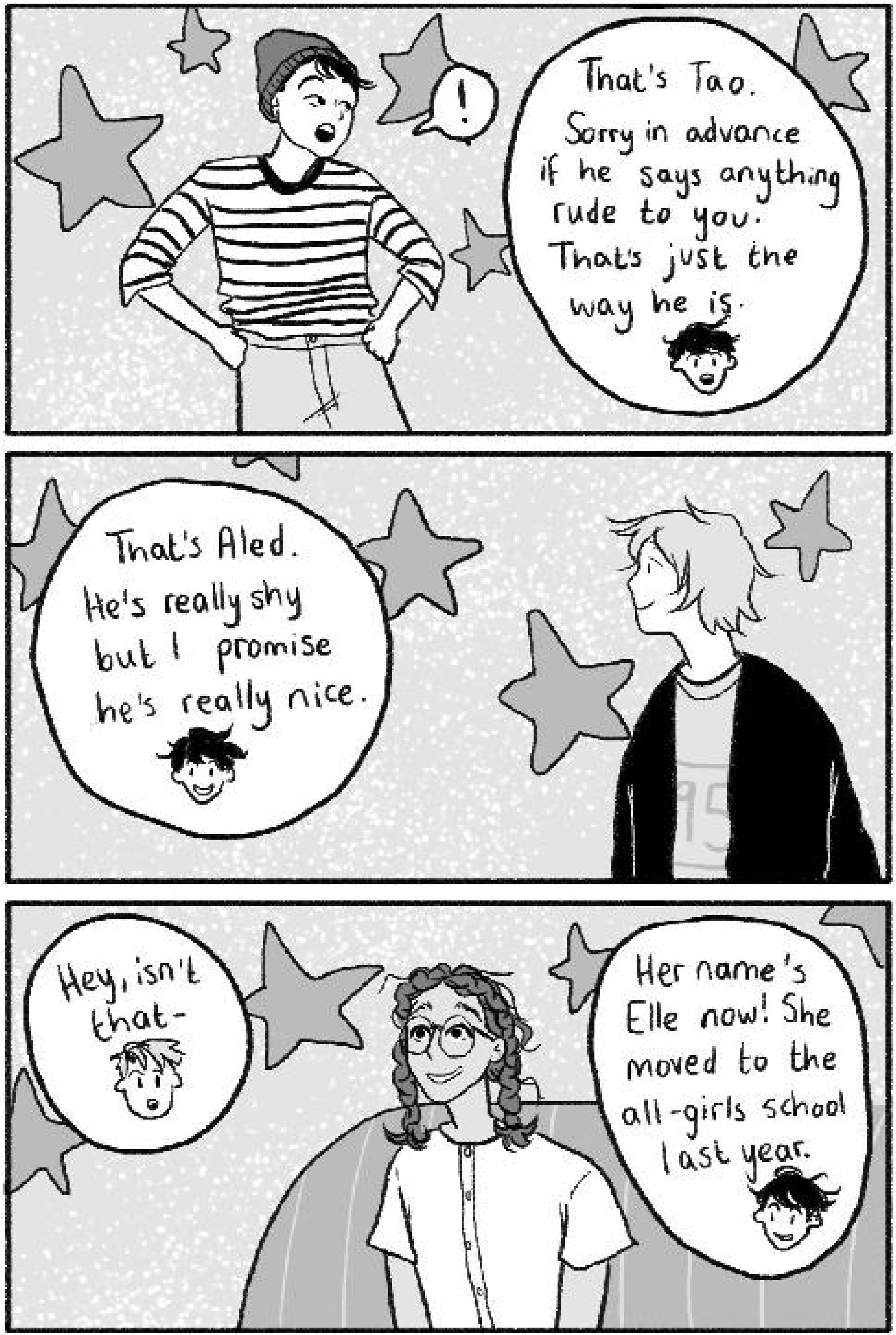
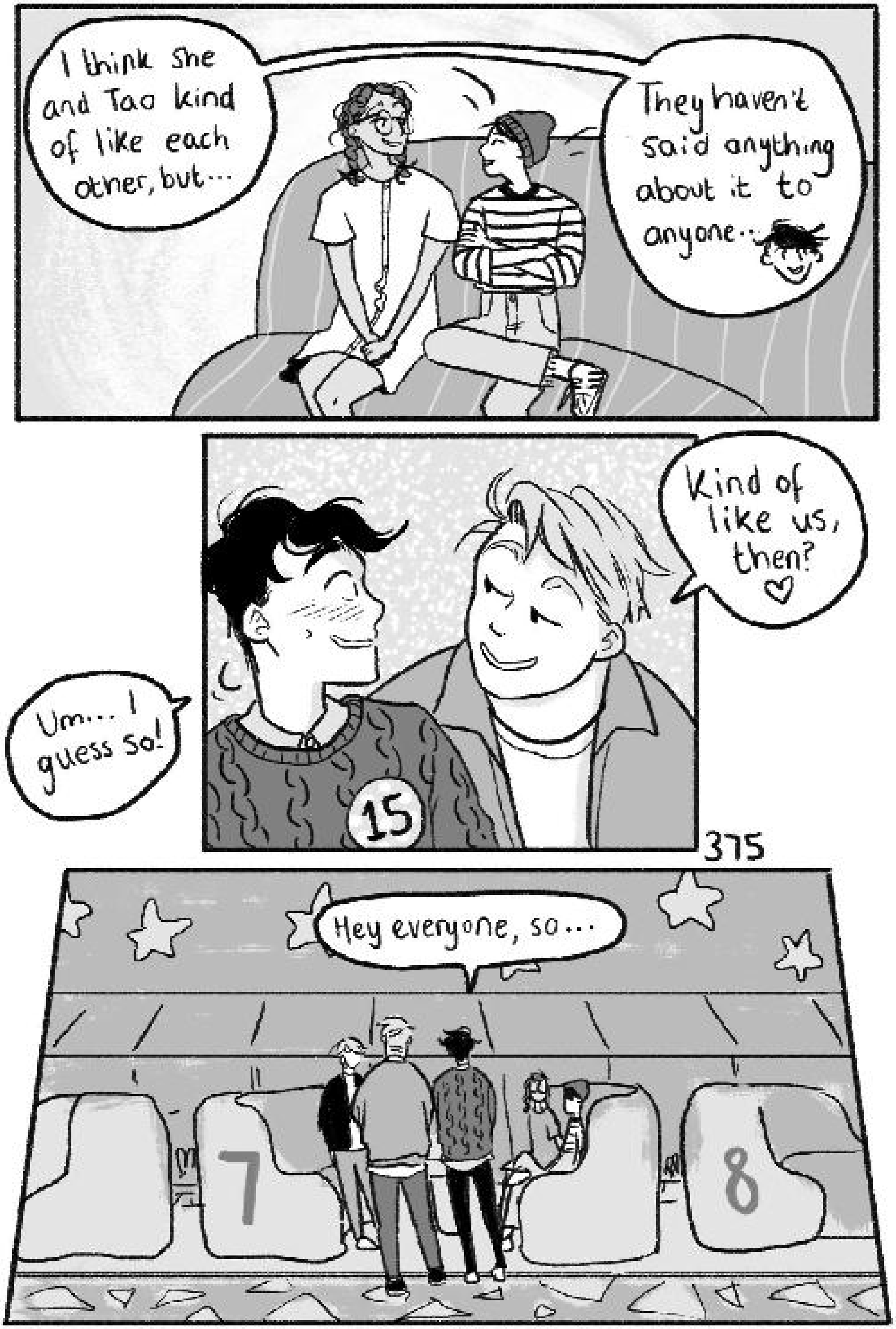

!
That's Tao. Sorry in advance if he says anything rude to you. That's just the way he is.
That's Aled. He's really shy but I promise he's really nice.
Hey, isn't that-
Her name's Elle now! She moved to the all-girls school last year.


I think she and Tao kind of like each other, but...
They haven't said anything about it to anyone...
Kind of like us, then? ♡
Um... I guess so!
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Hey everyone, so...
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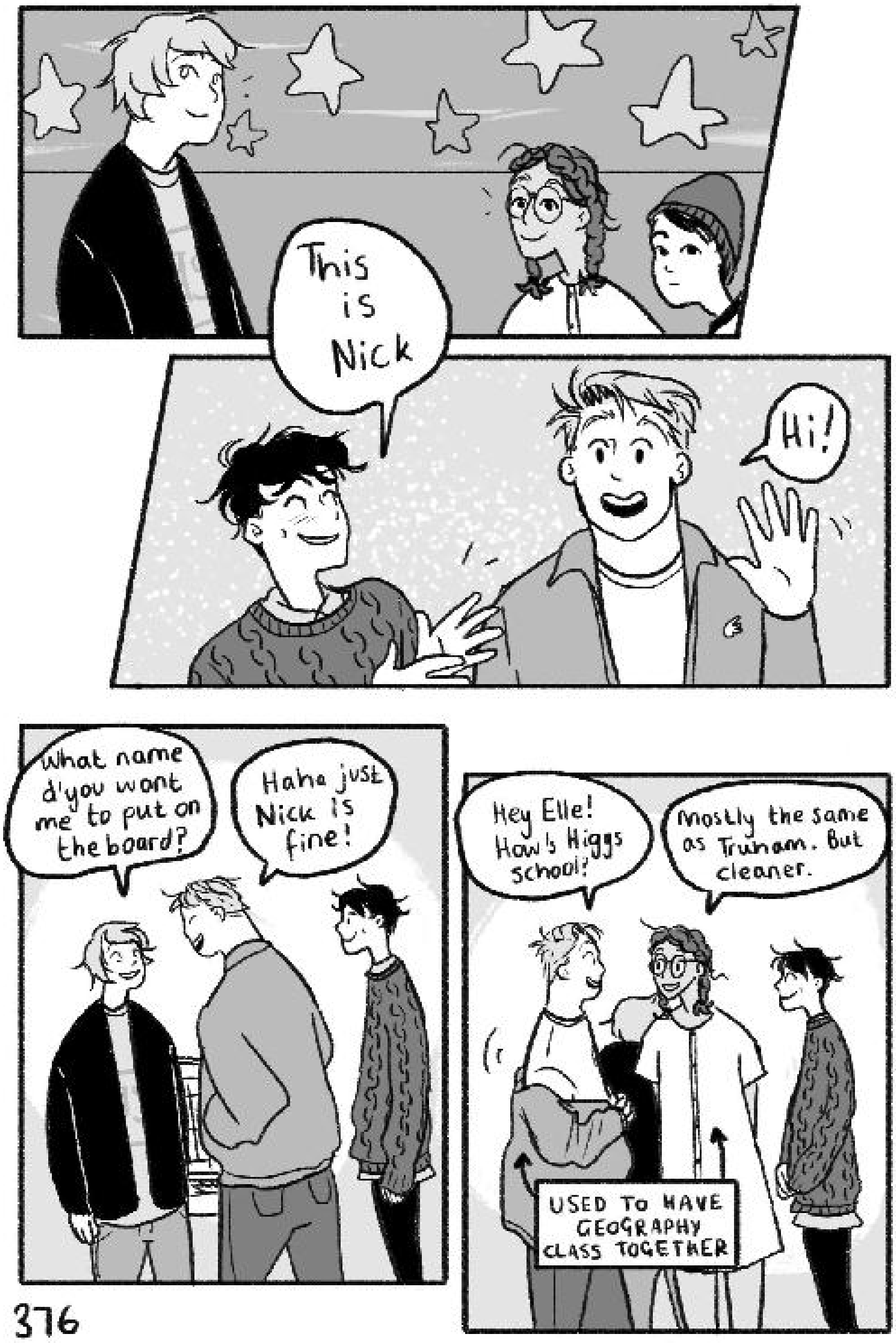
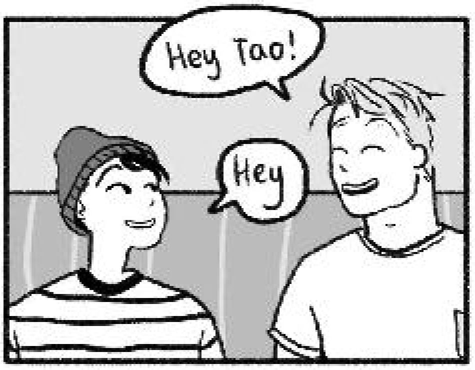
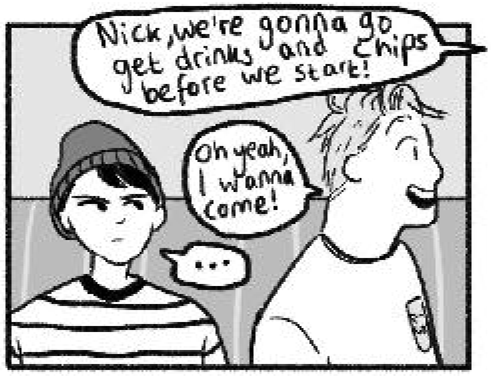
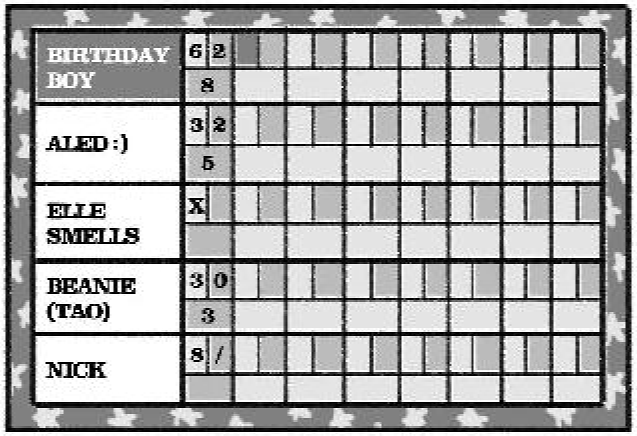

This is Nick
Hi!
What name d'you want me to put on the board?
Haha just Nick is fine!
Hey Elle! How's Higgs school?
Mostly the same as Truham. But cleaner.
USED TO HAVE GEOGRAPHY CLASS TOGETHER




Nick, we're gonna go get drinks and chips before we start!
Oh yeah, I wanna come!
...



BIRTHDAY BOY	6 2	8
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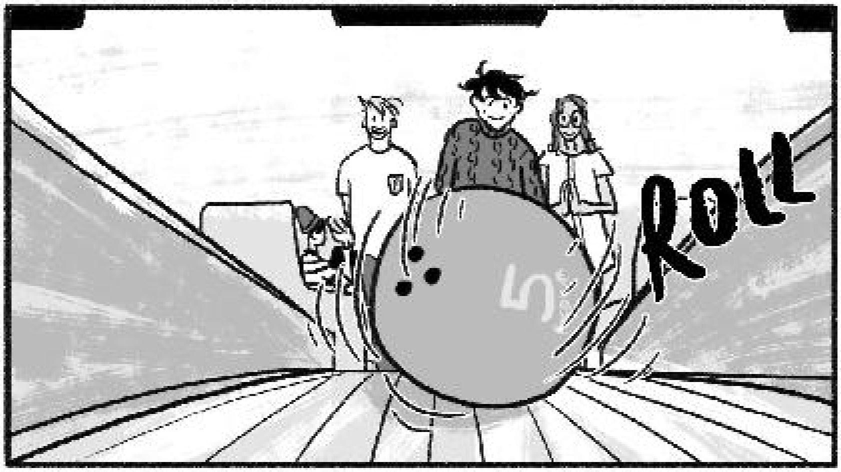
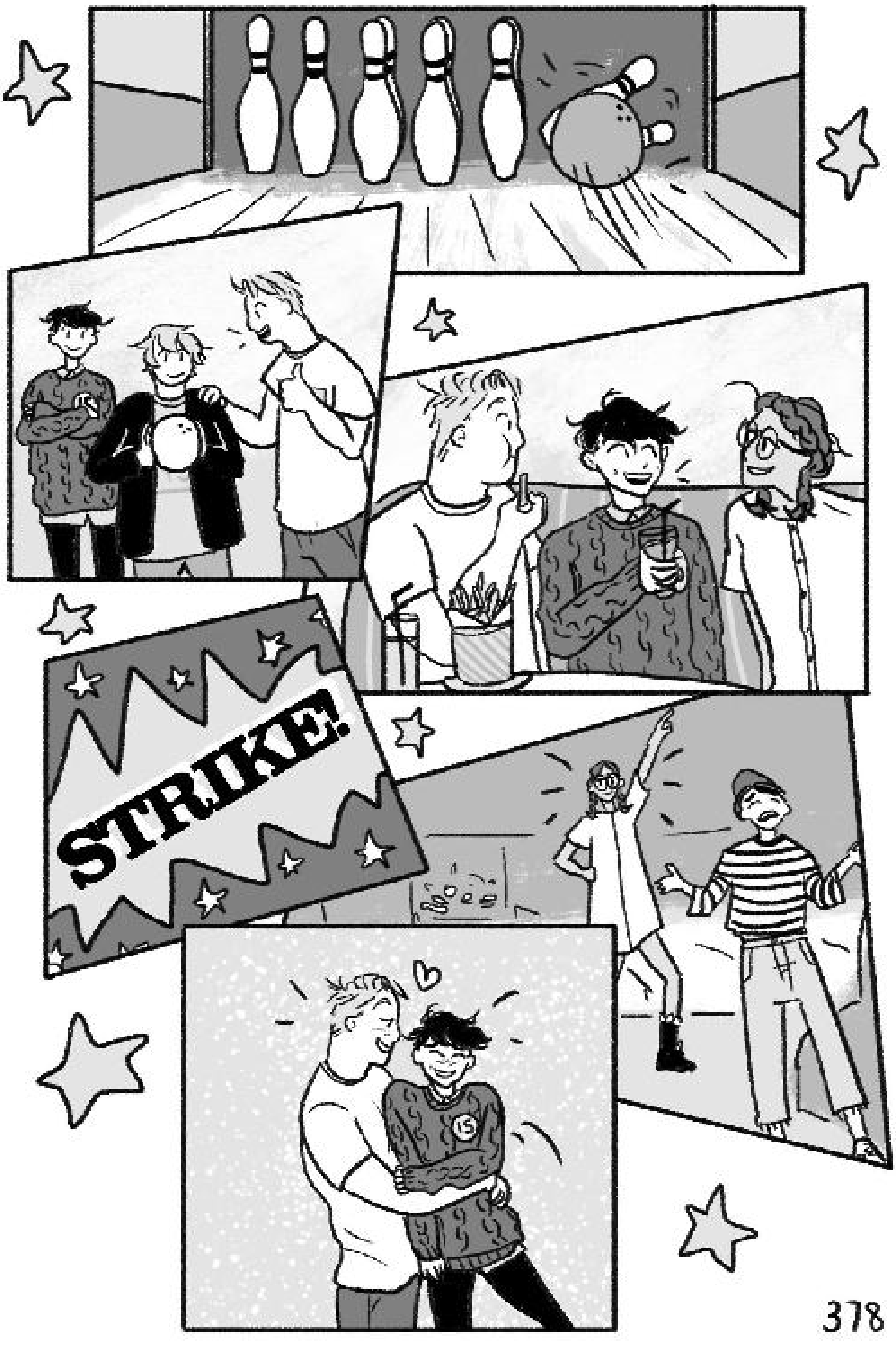
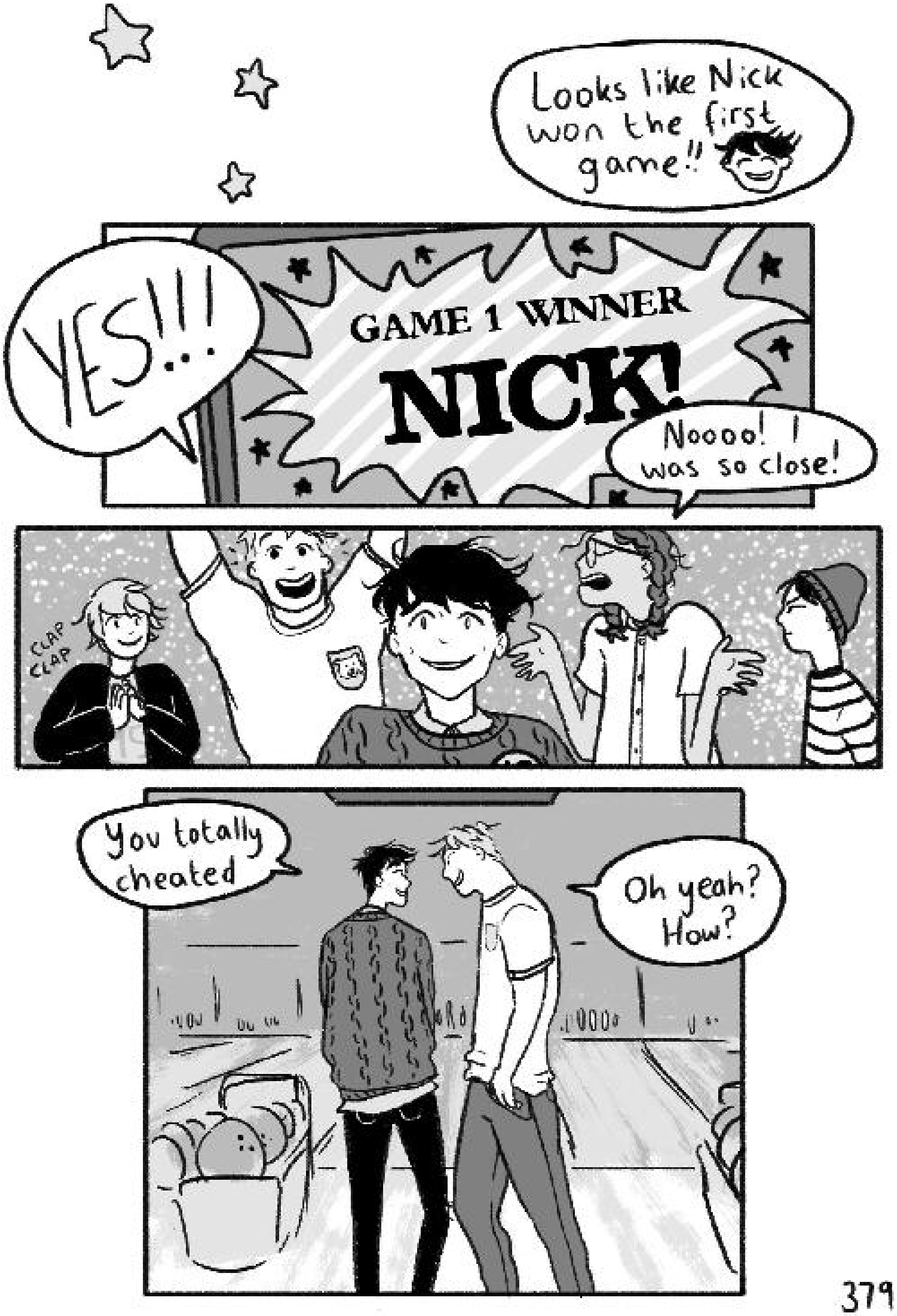
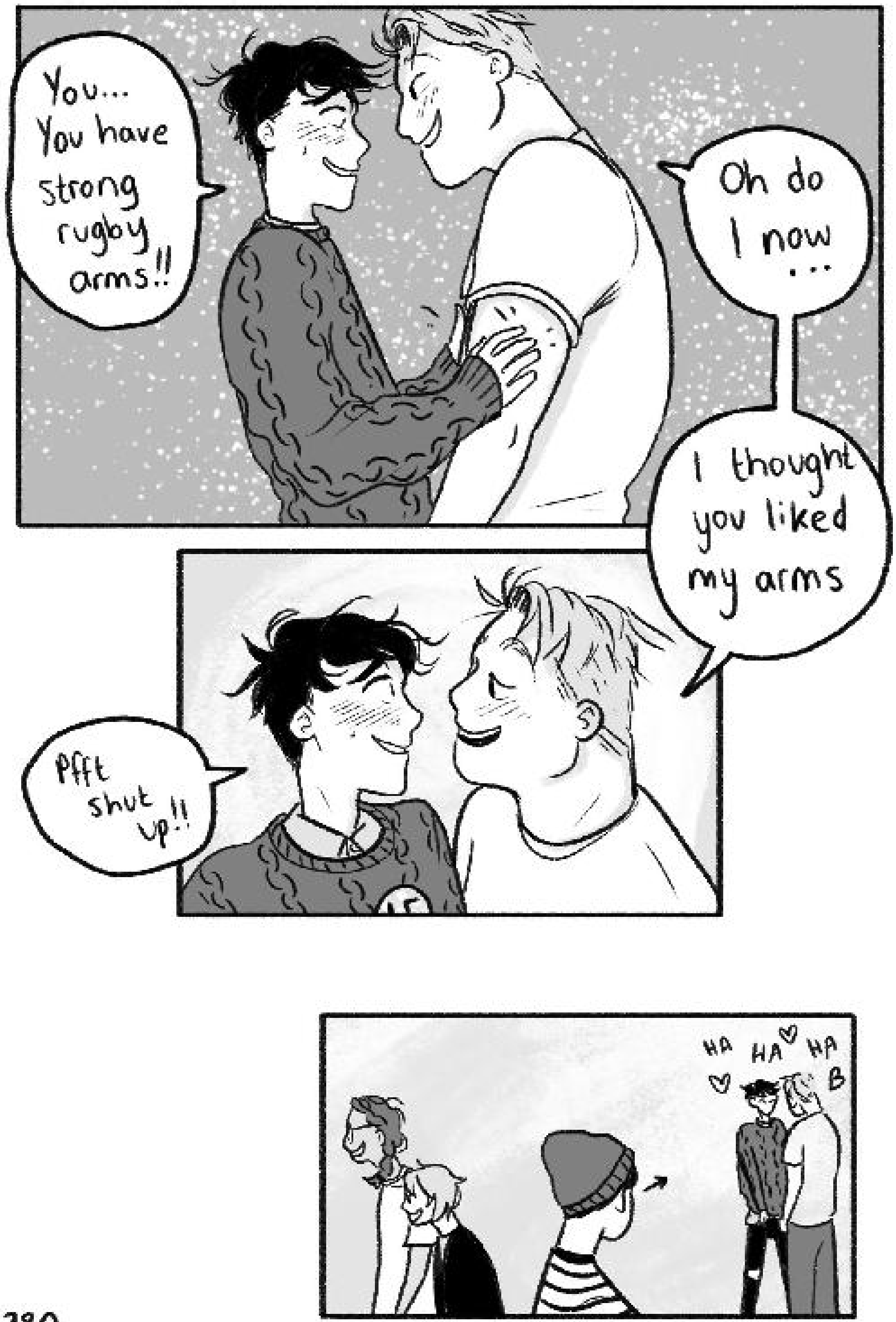
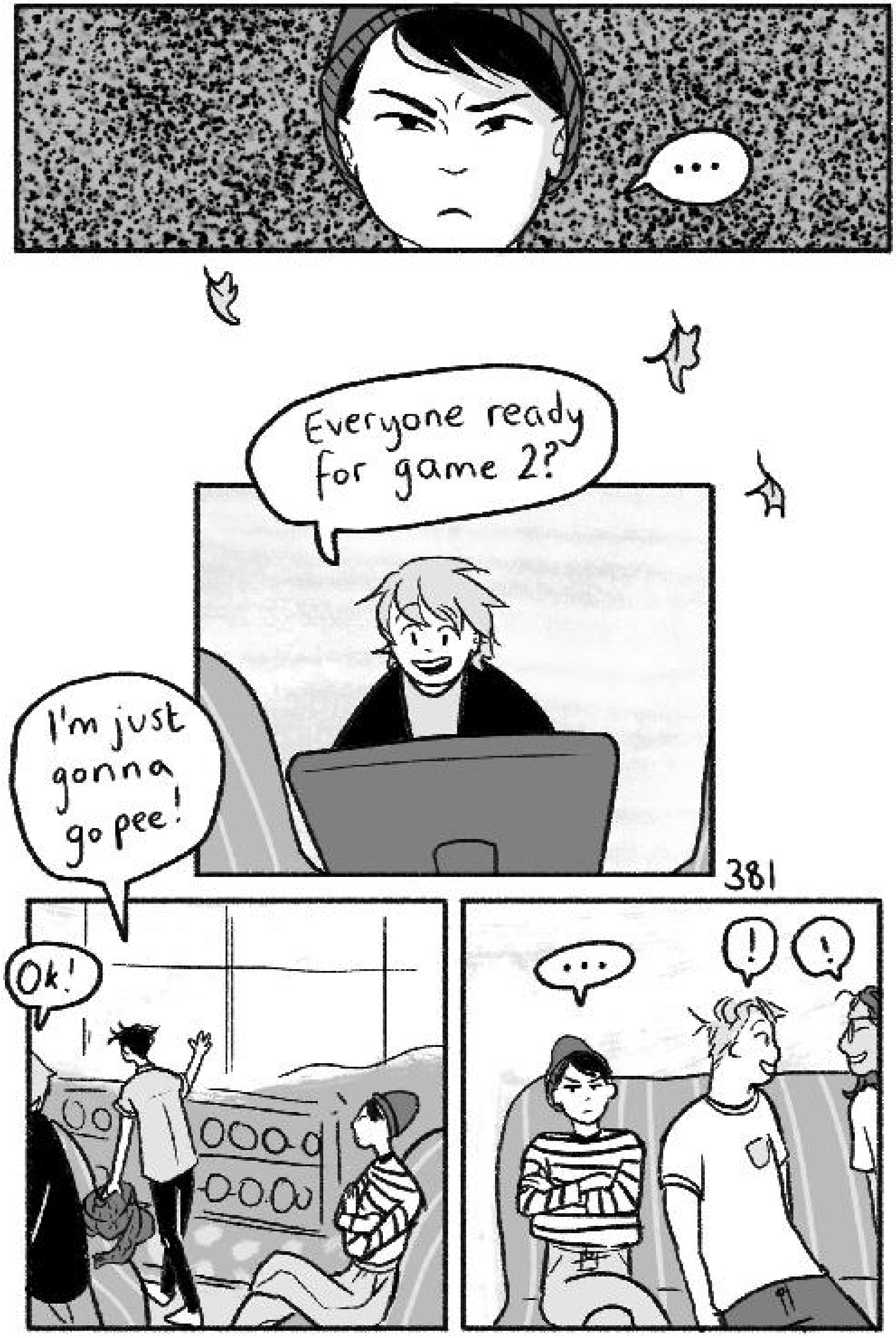
ELLE SMELLS	X	
BEANIE (TAO)	3 0	3
NICK	8 /	




STRIKE!


Looks like Nick won the first game!!
YES!!!...
GAME 1 WINNER
NICK!
Noooo! I was so close!
CLAP CLAP
You totally cheated
Oh yeah? How?


You... You have strong rugby arms!!
Oh do I now ...
I thought you liked my arms
Pfft shut up!!
HA
HA
HA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Everyone ready for game 2?
I'm just gonna go pee!
Ok!
...
!
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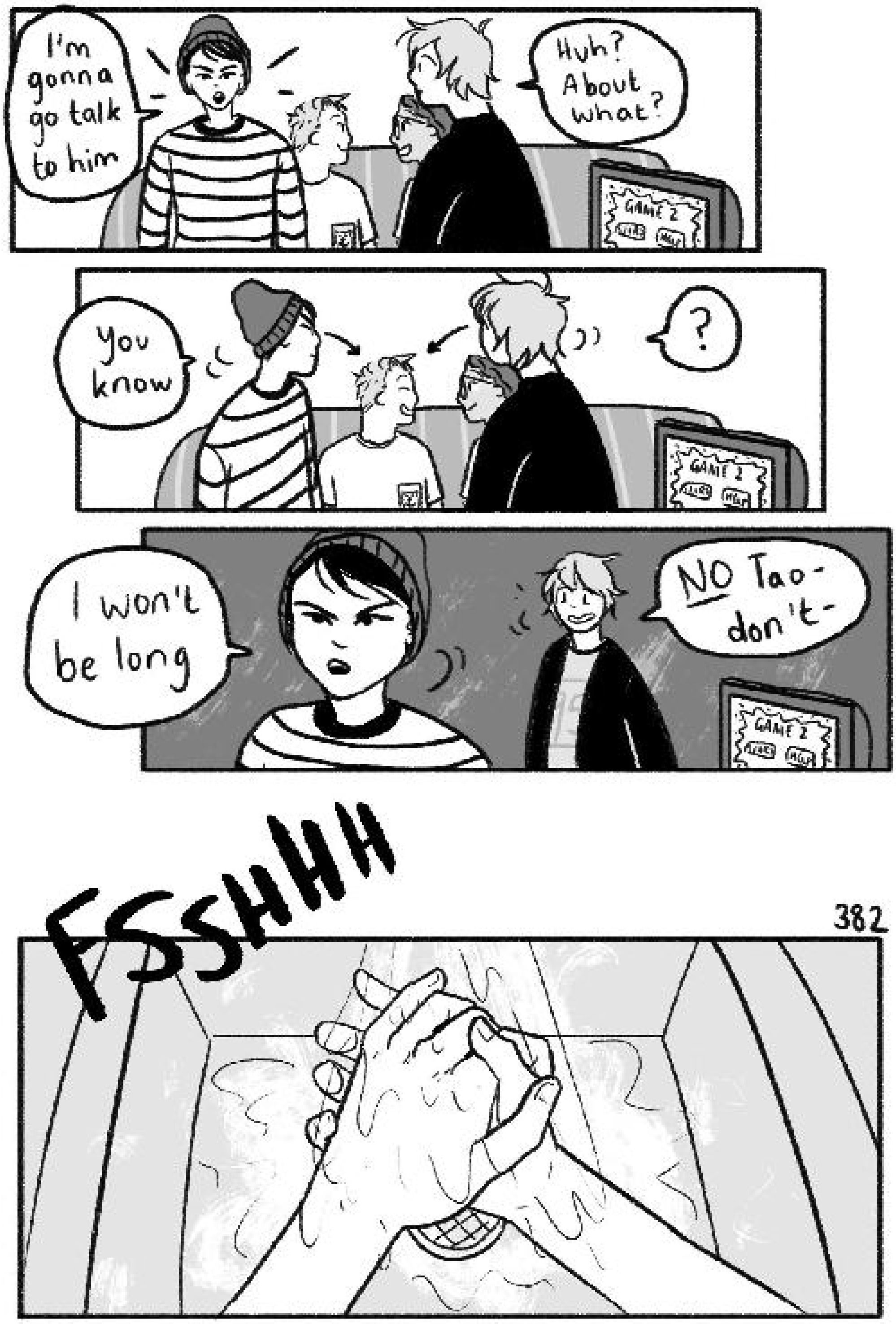
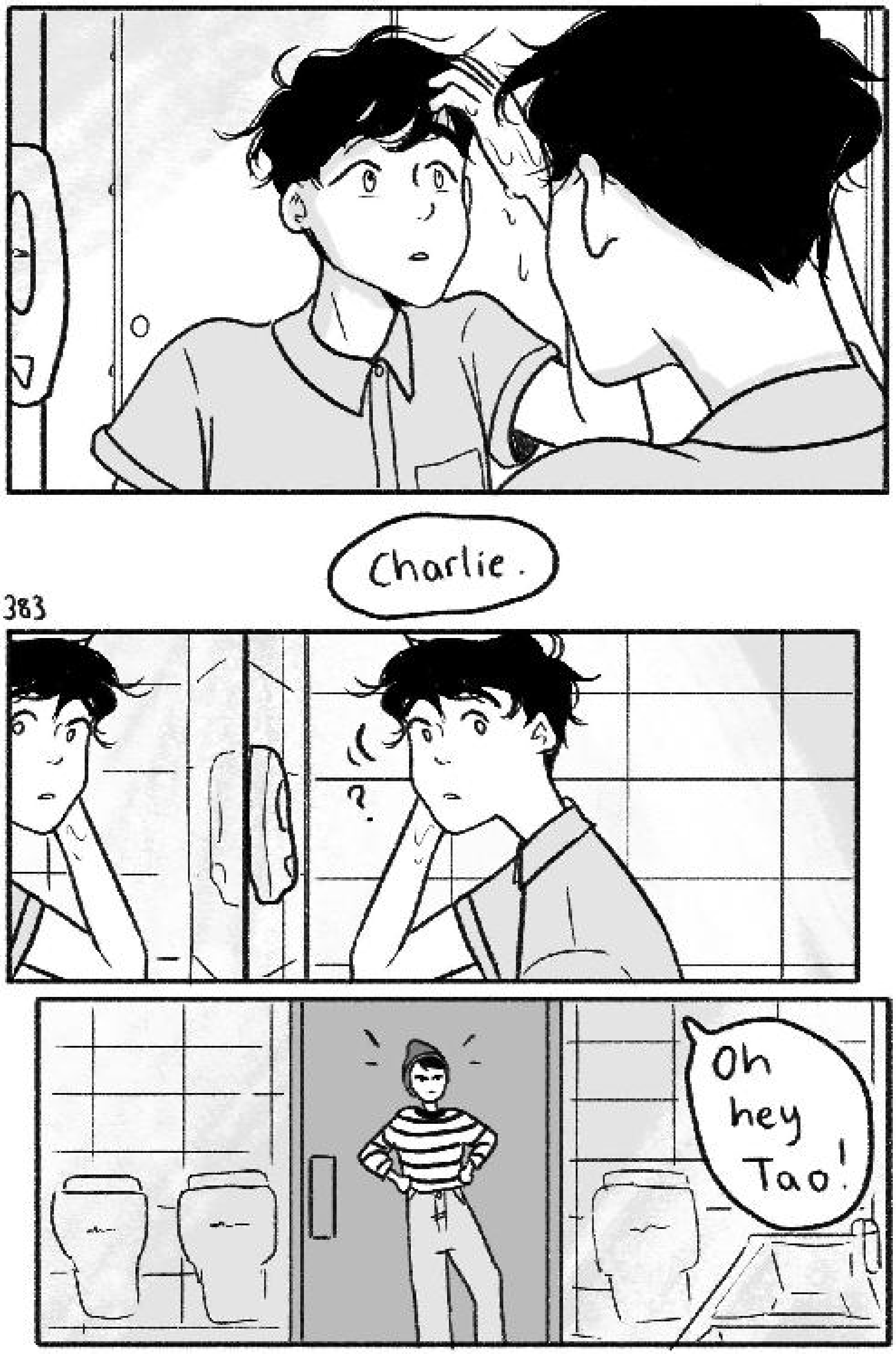
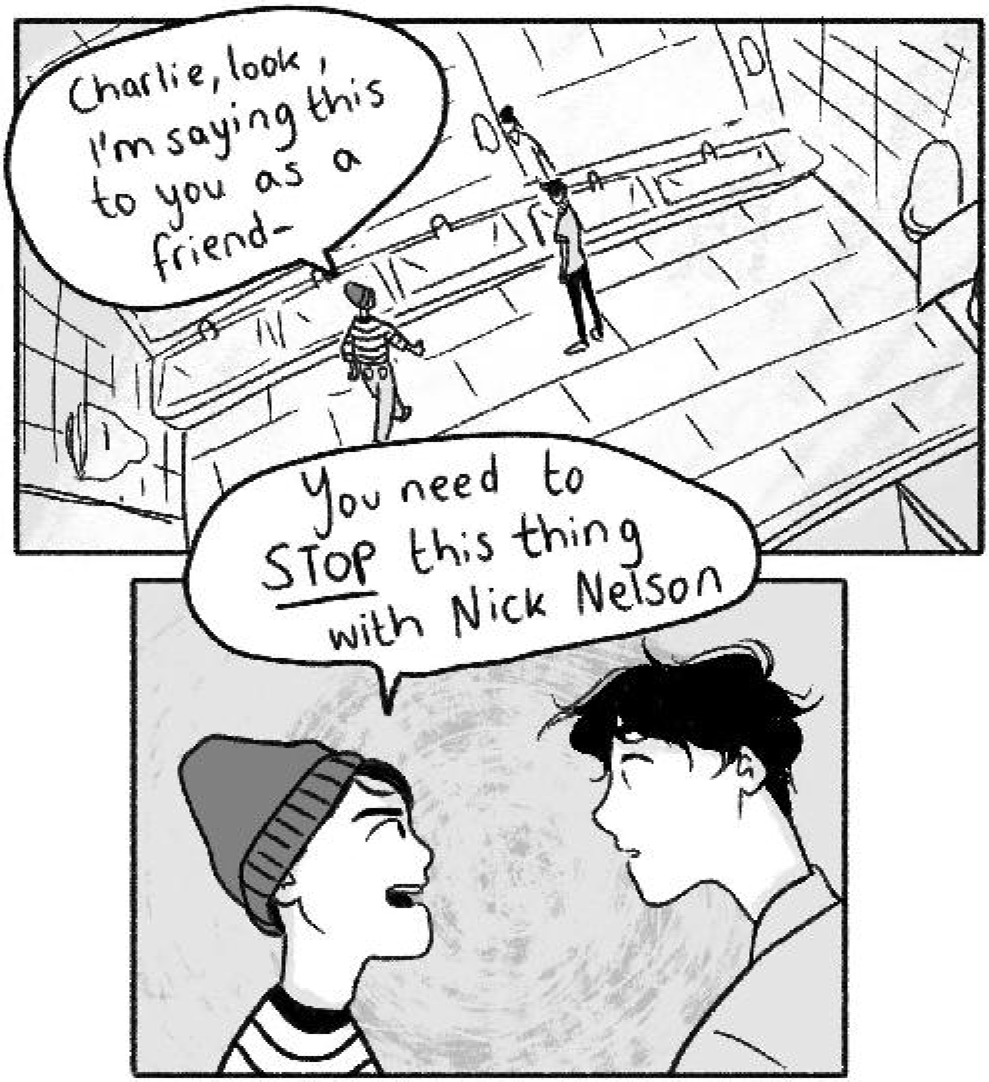
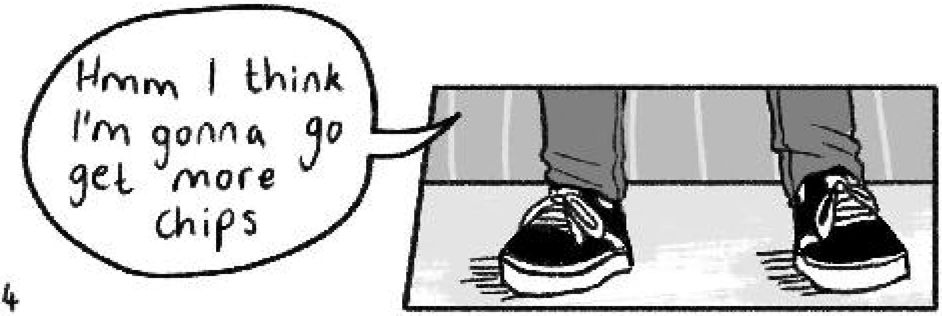
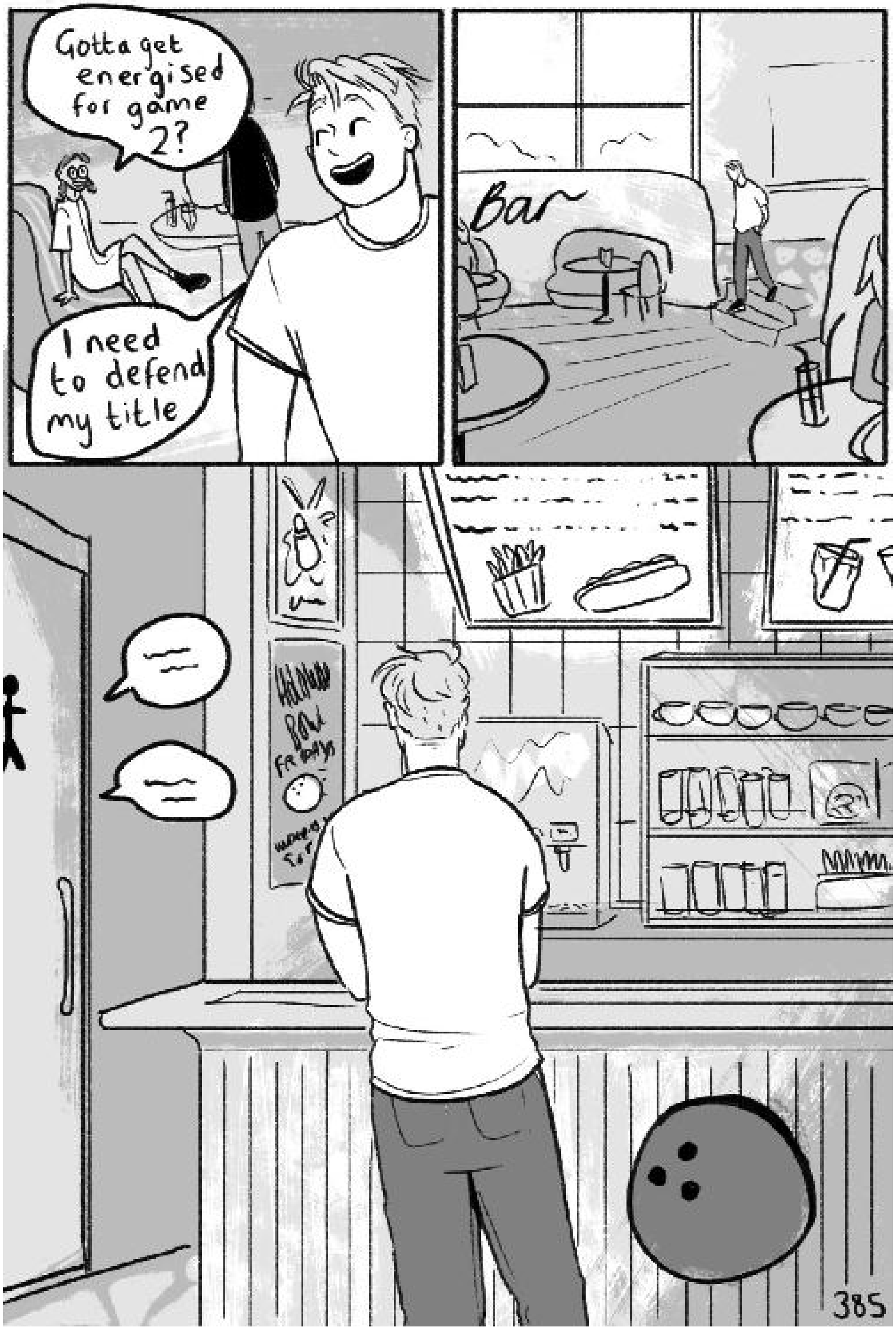
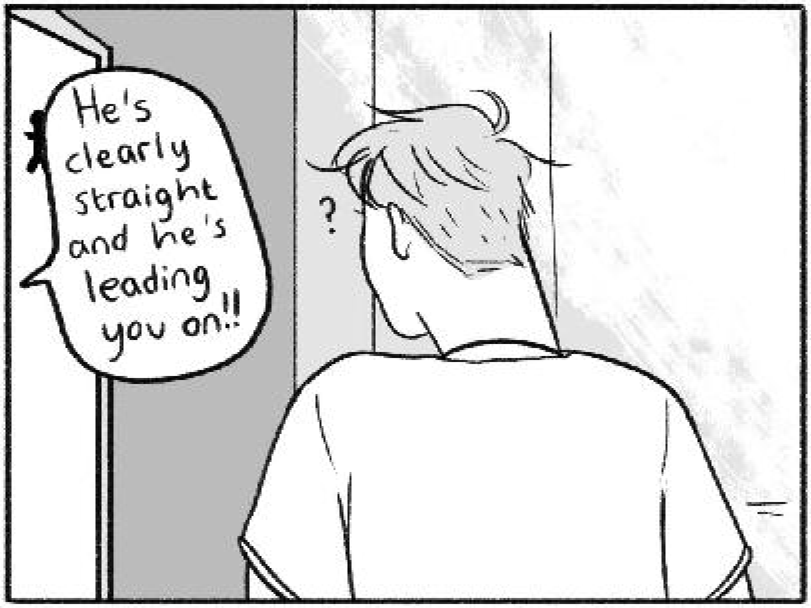

I'm gonna go talk to him
Huh? About what?
GAME 2
You know
?
GAME 2
I won't be long
NO Tao- don't-
GAME 2
FSSHHH

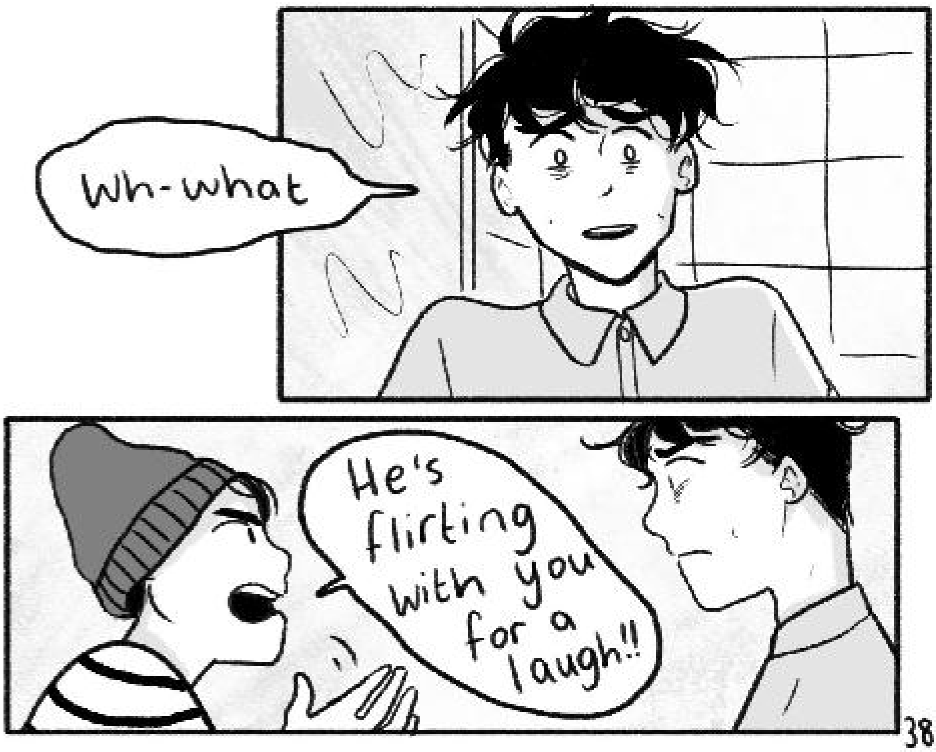

Charlie.
?
Oh hey Tao!

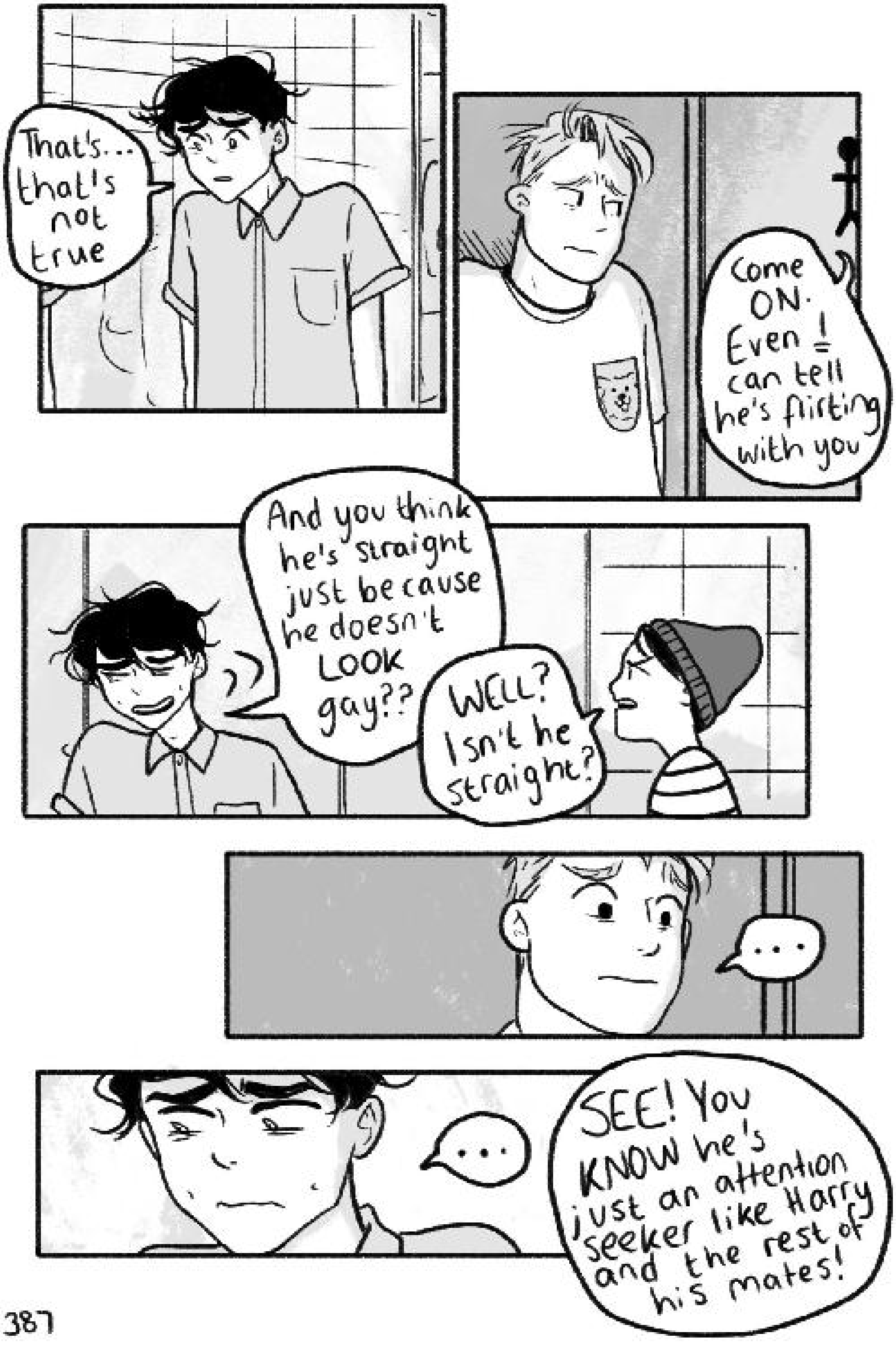

Charlie, look, I'm saying this to you as a friend-
You need to STOP this thing with Nick Nelson

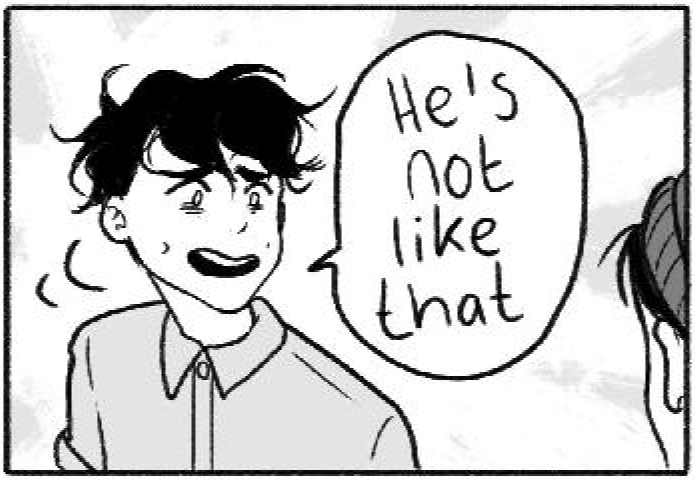

Hmm I think I'm gonna go get more chips

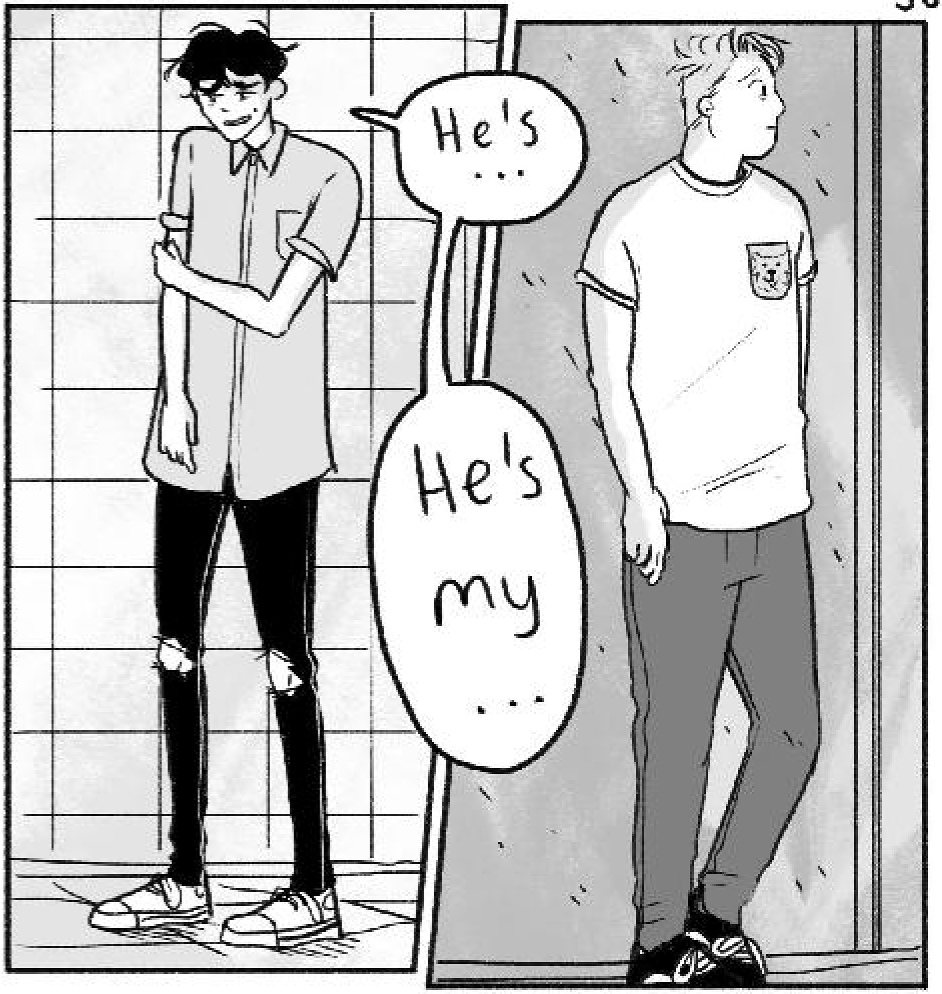

Gotta get energised for game 2?
I need to defend my title
Bar

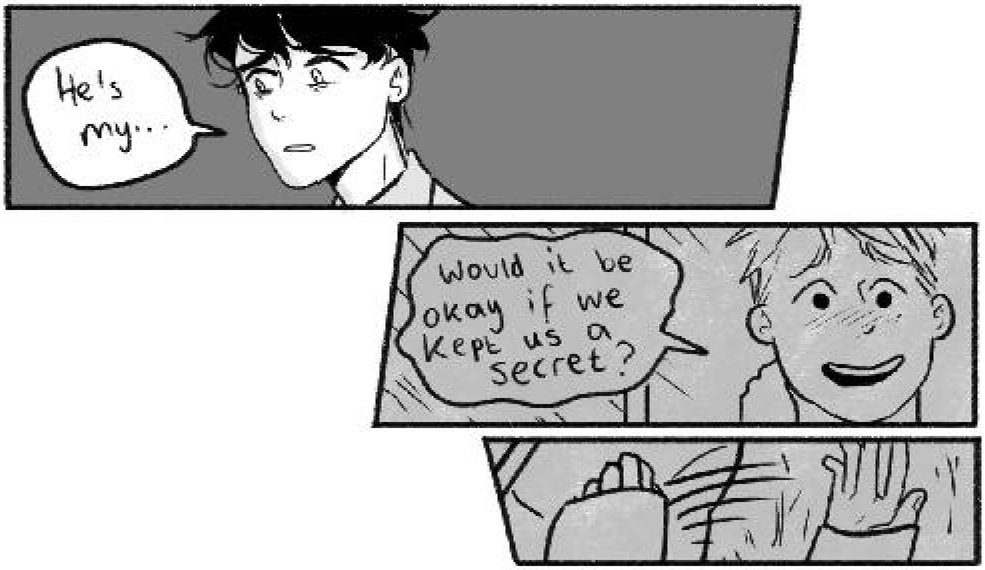

He's clearly straight and he's leading you on!!
?

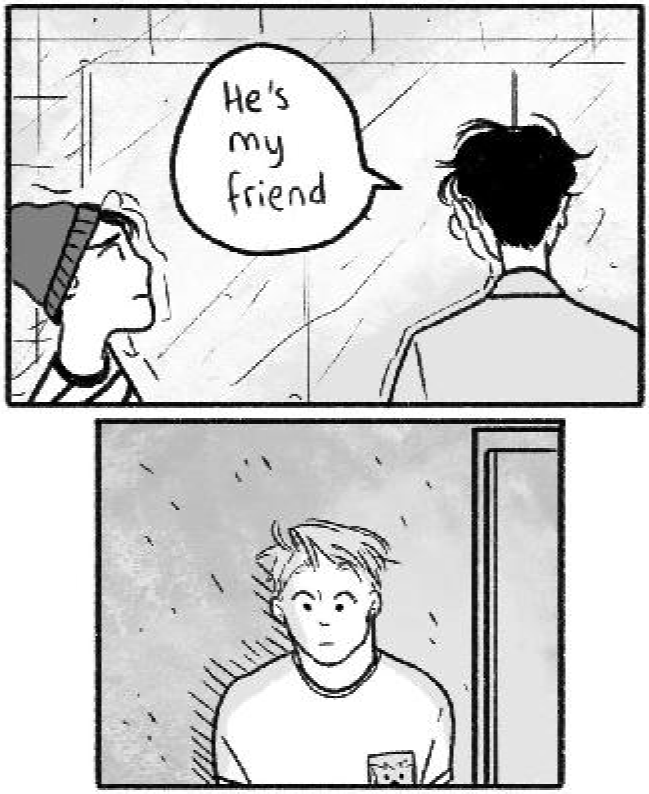

Wh-what
He's flirting with you for a laugh!!

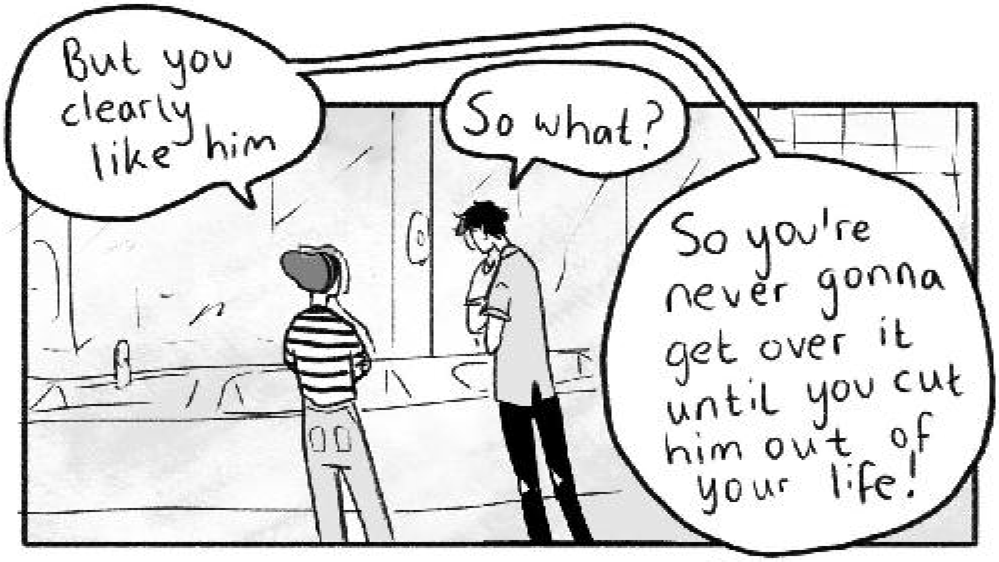

That's... that's not true
Come ON. Even I can tell he's flirting with you
And you think he's straight just because he doesn't LOOK gay??
WELL? Isn't he straight?
...
...
SEE! You KNOW he's just an attention seeker like Harry and the rest of his mates!

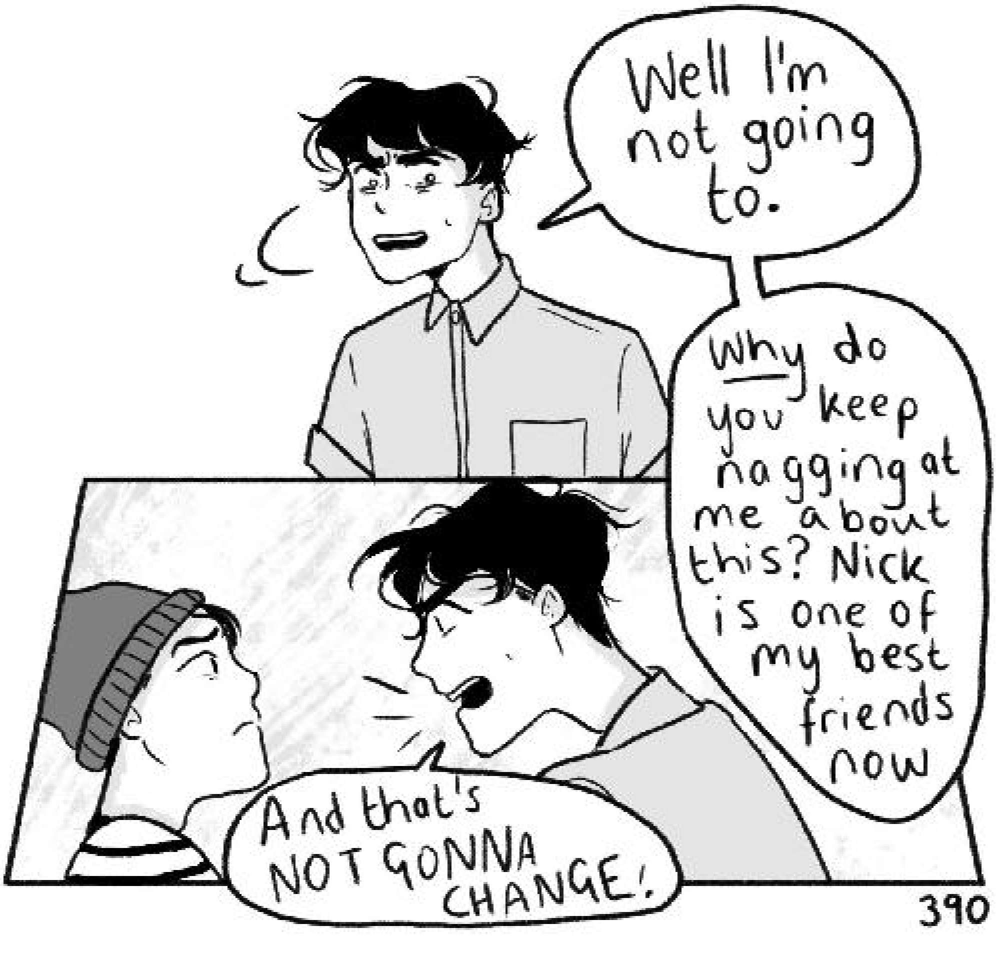

He's not like that

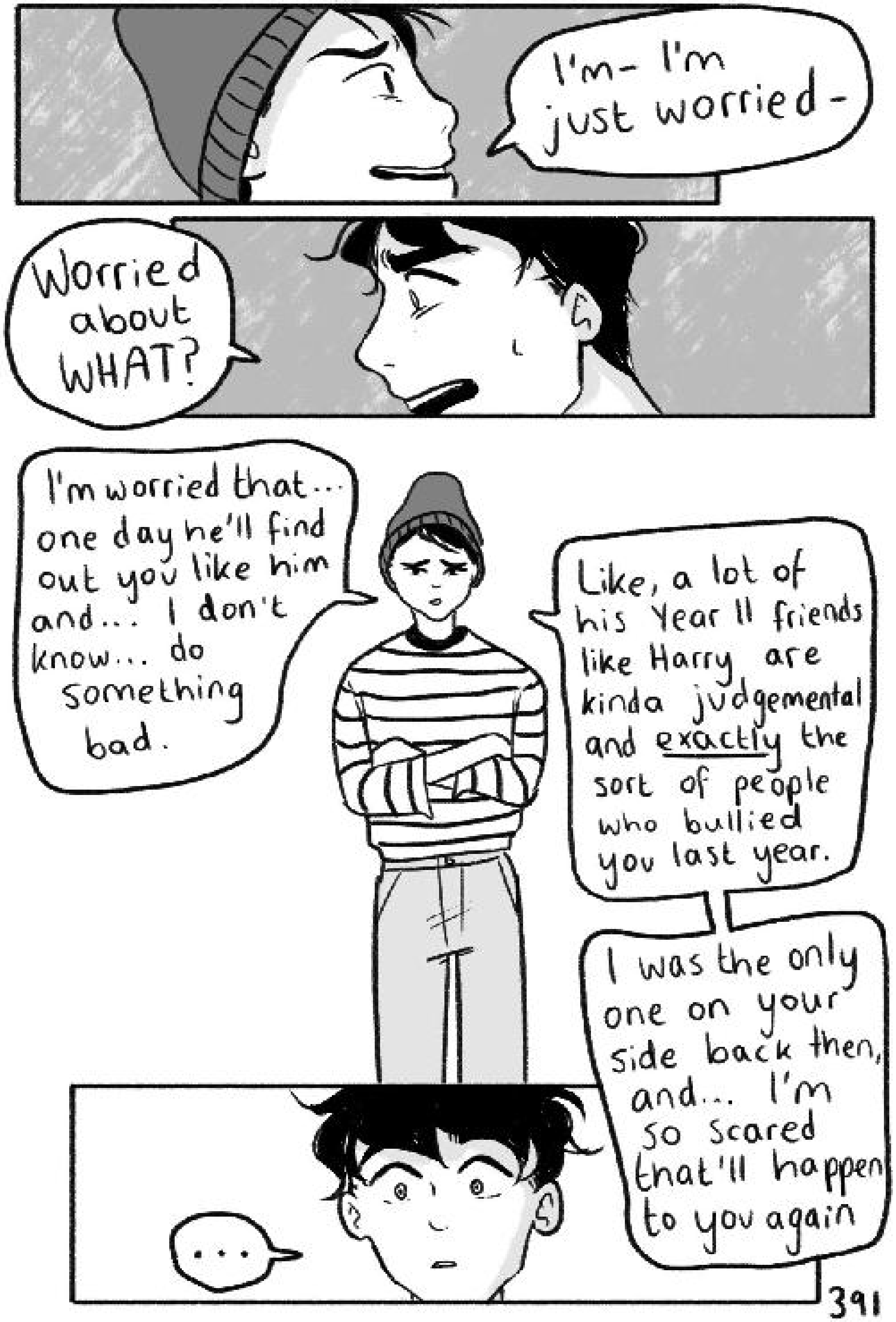

He's ...
He's my ...

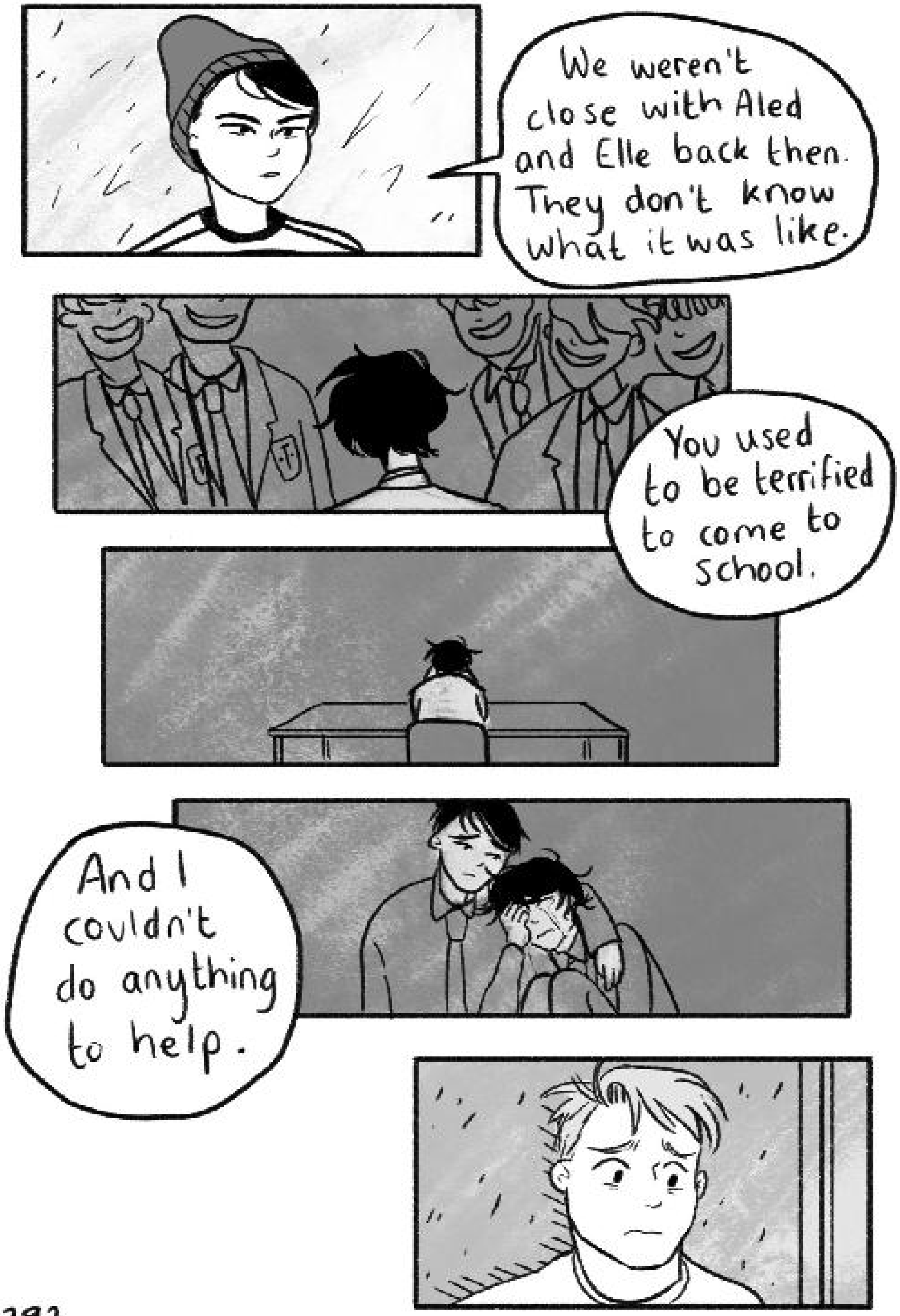

He's my...
Would it be okay if we kept us a secret?

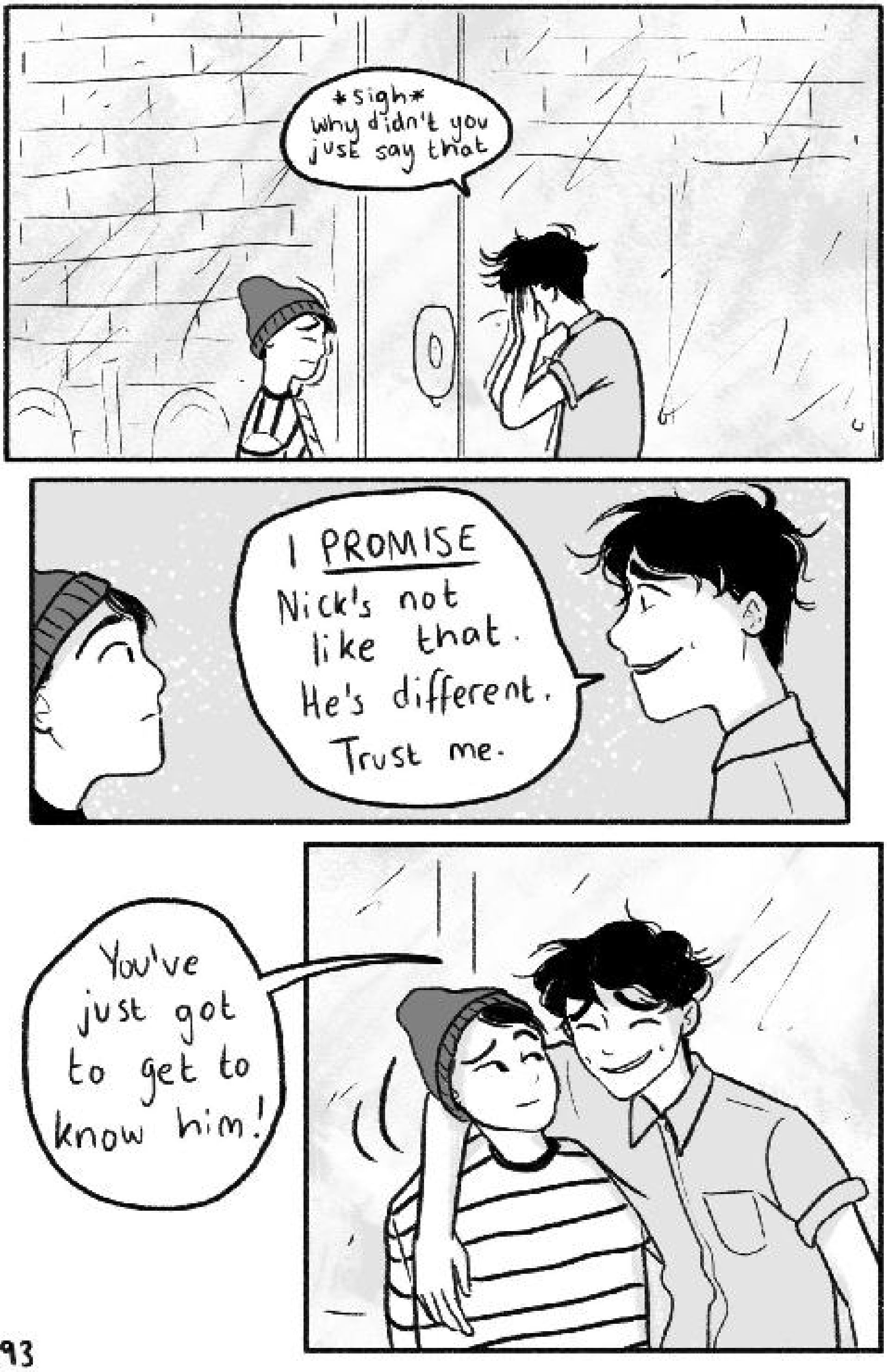

He's my friend

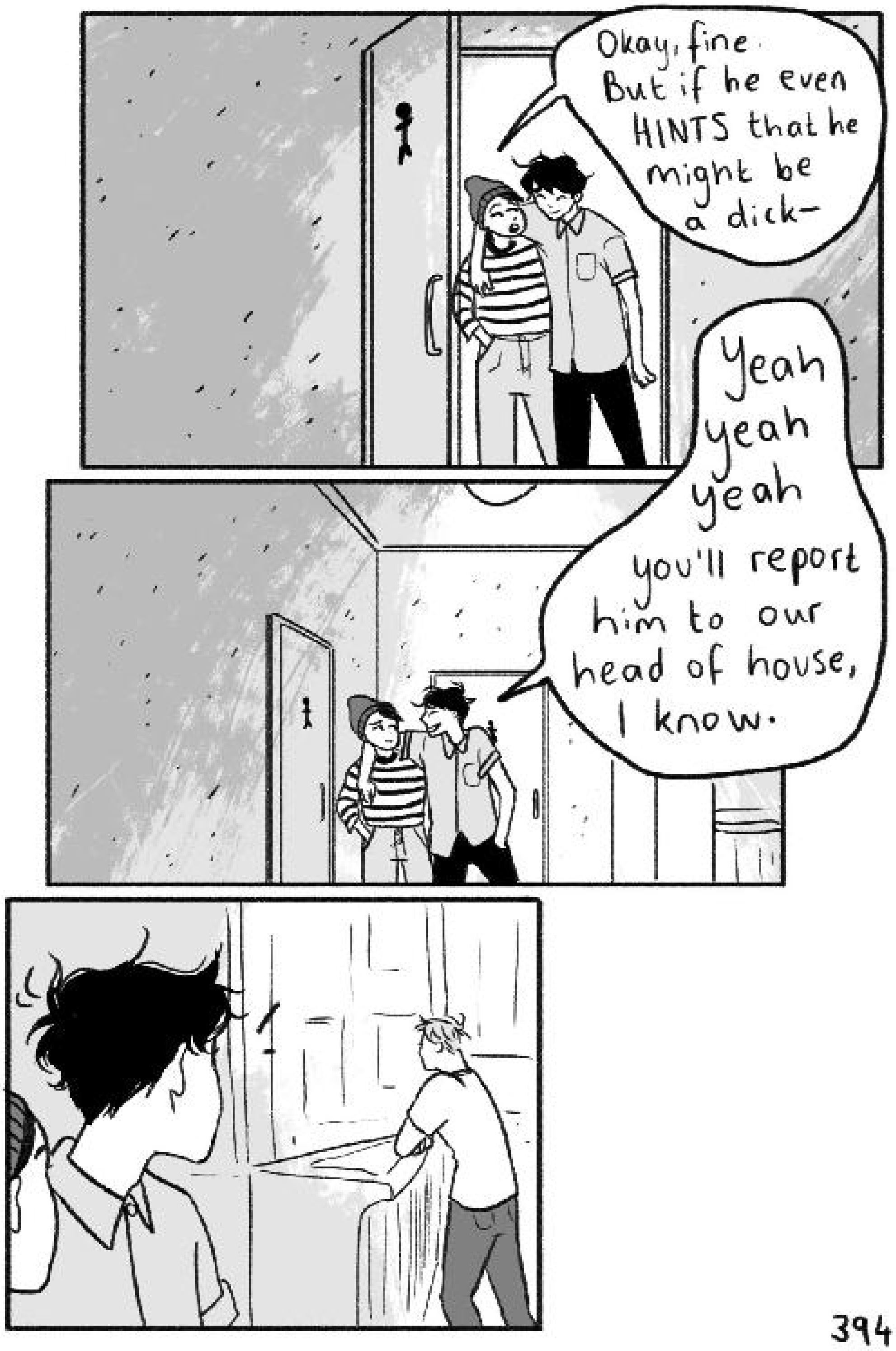

But you clearly like him
So what?
So you're never gonna get over it until you cut him out of your life!

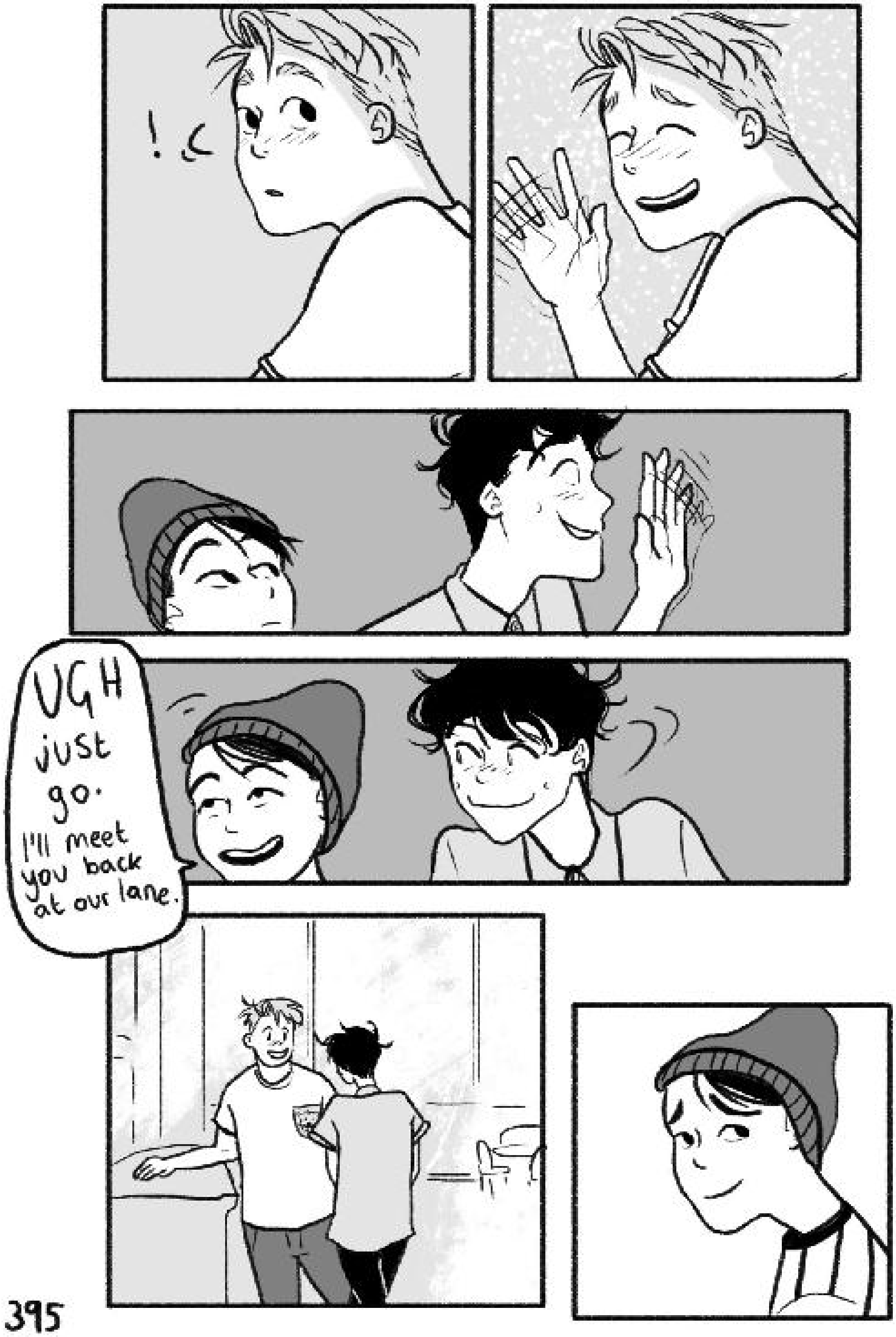

Well I'm not going to.
Why do you keep nagging at me about this? Nick is one of my best friends now
And that's NOT GONNA CHANGE!


I'm- I'm just worried-
Worried about WHAT?
I'm worried that... one day he'll find out you like him and... I don't know... do something bad.
Like, a lot of his Year 11 friends like Harry are kinda judgemental and exactly the sort of people who bullied you last year.
I was the only one on your side back then, and... I'm so scared that'll happen to you again
...


We weren't close with Aled and Elle back then. They don't know what it was like.
You used to be terrified to come to school.
And I couldn't do anything to help.


sigh why didn't you just say that
I PROMISE Nick's not like that. He's different. Trust me.
You've just got to get to know him!


Okay, fine. But if he even HINTS that he might be a dick–
Yeah yeah yeah you'll report him to our head of house, I know.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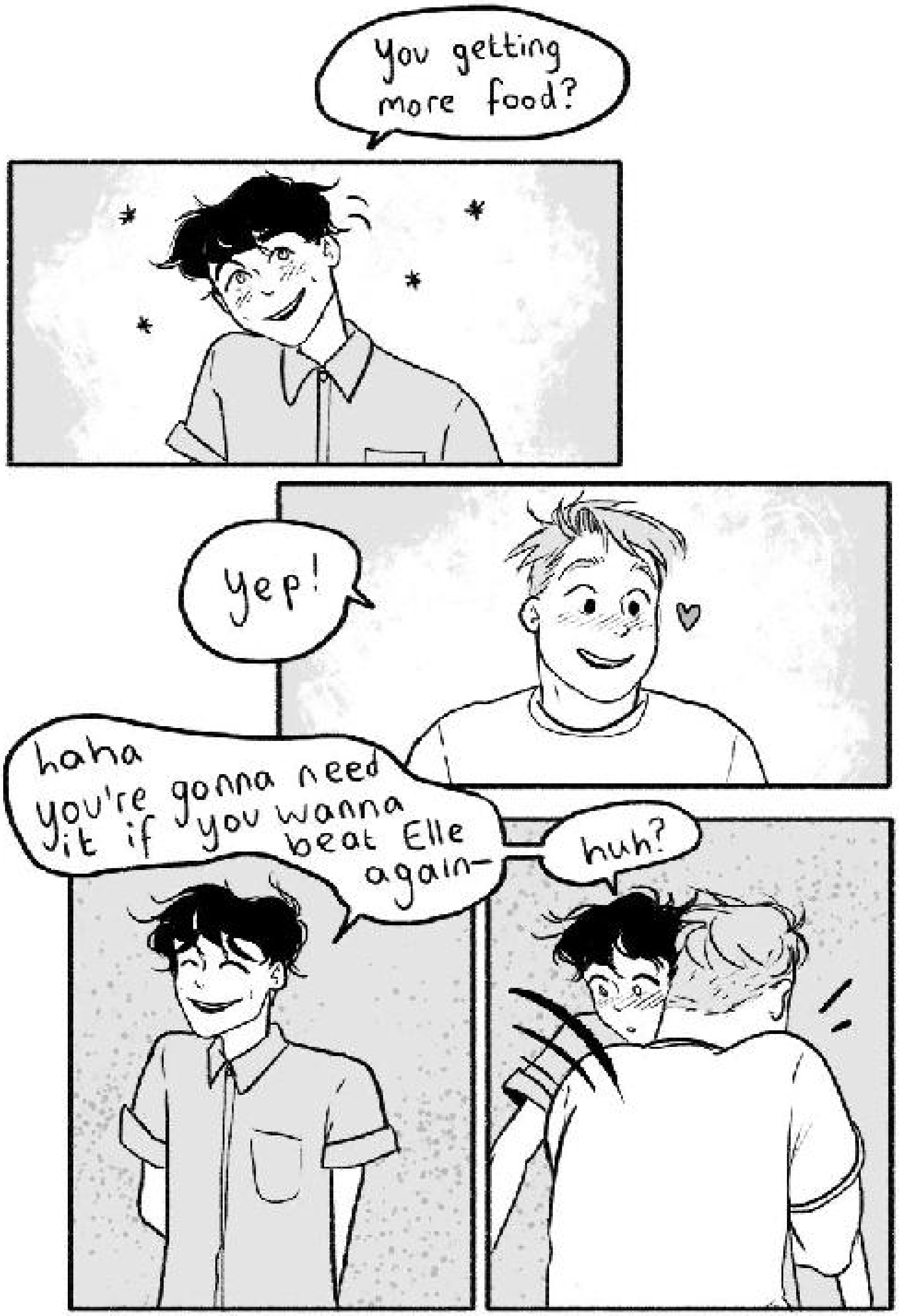
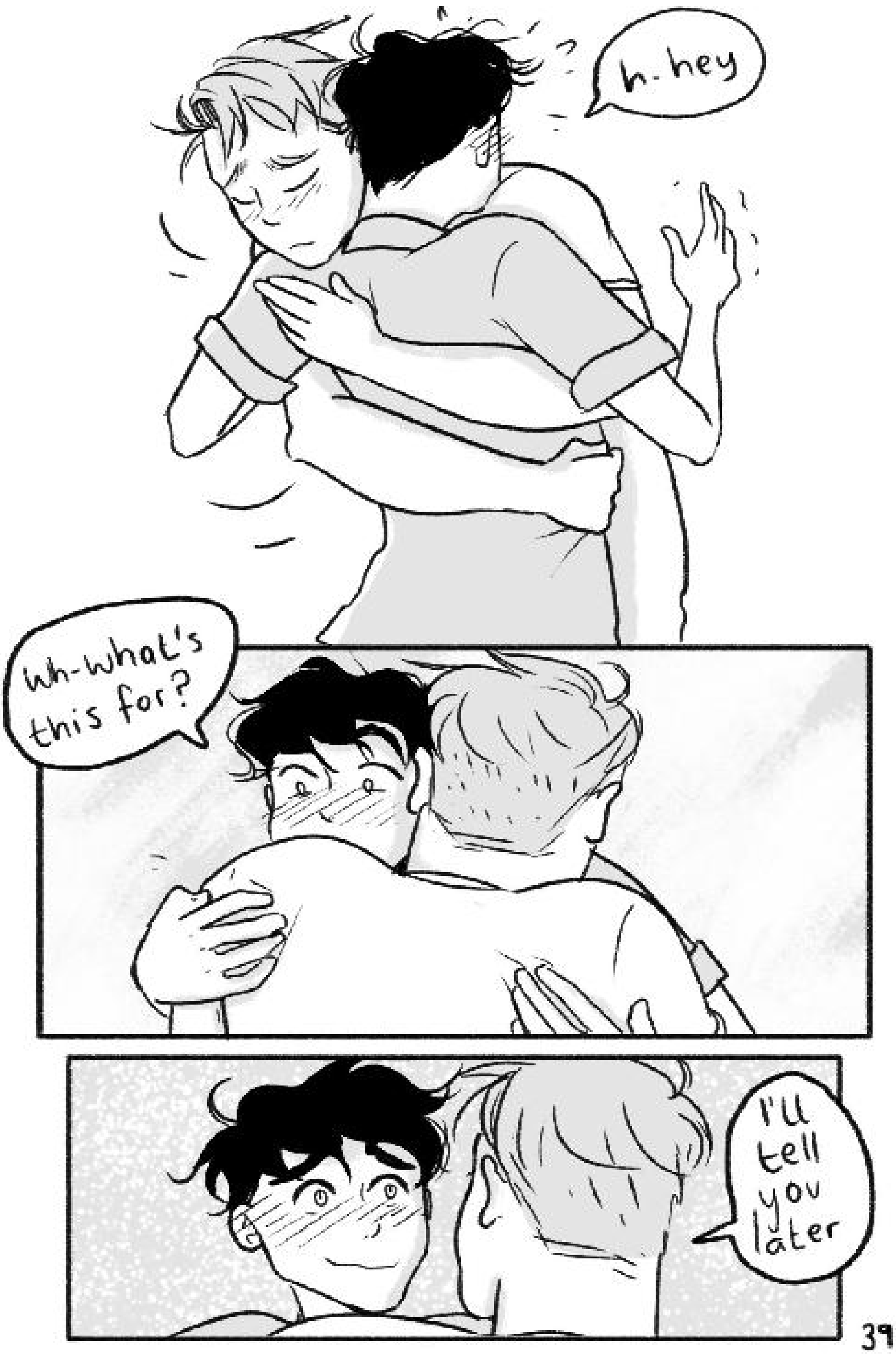
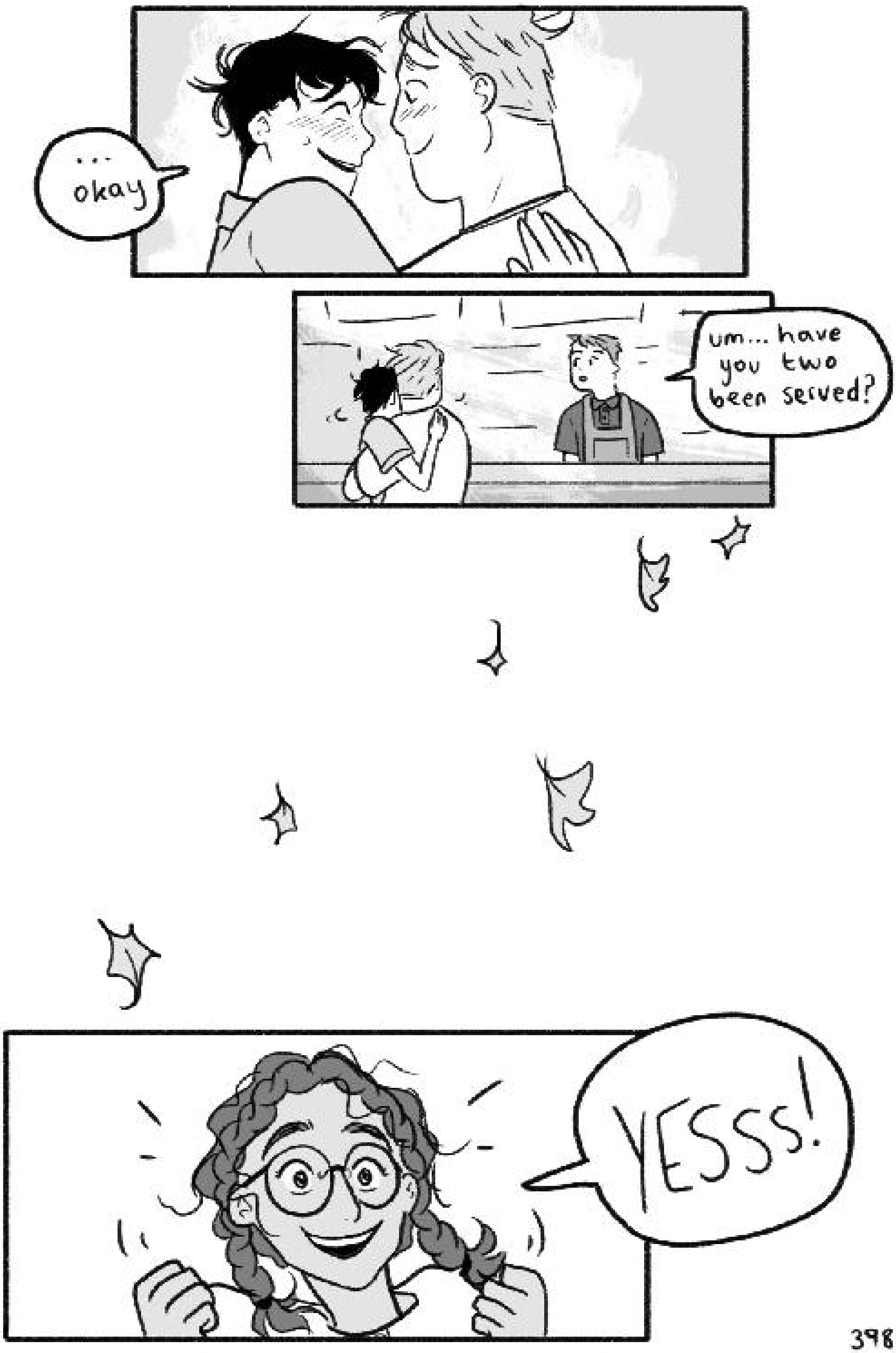
UGH just go. I'll meet you back at our lane.


You getting more food?
Yep!
haha you're gonna need it if you wanna beat Elle again–
huh?


h-hey
wh-what's this for?
I'll tell you later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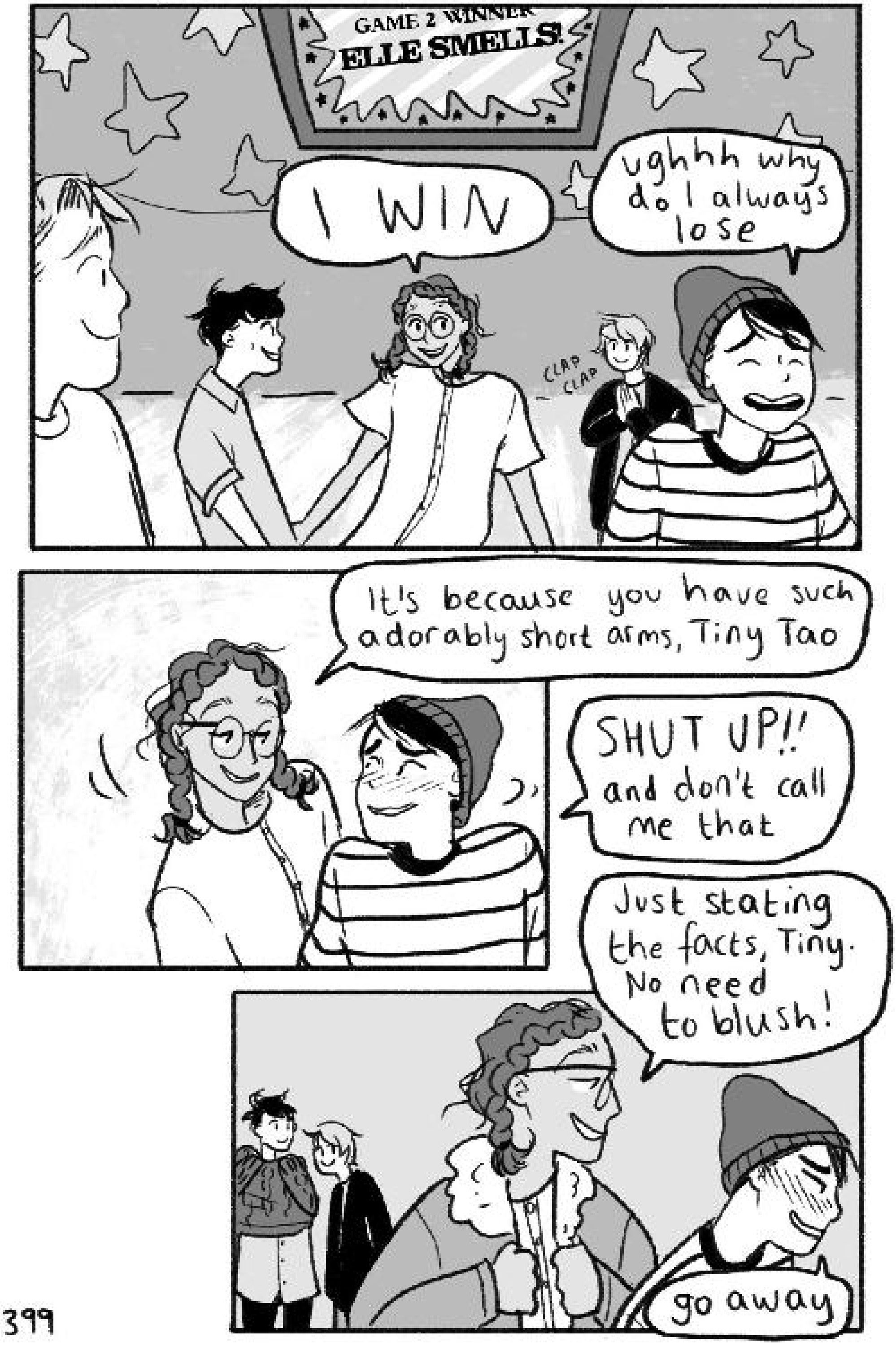
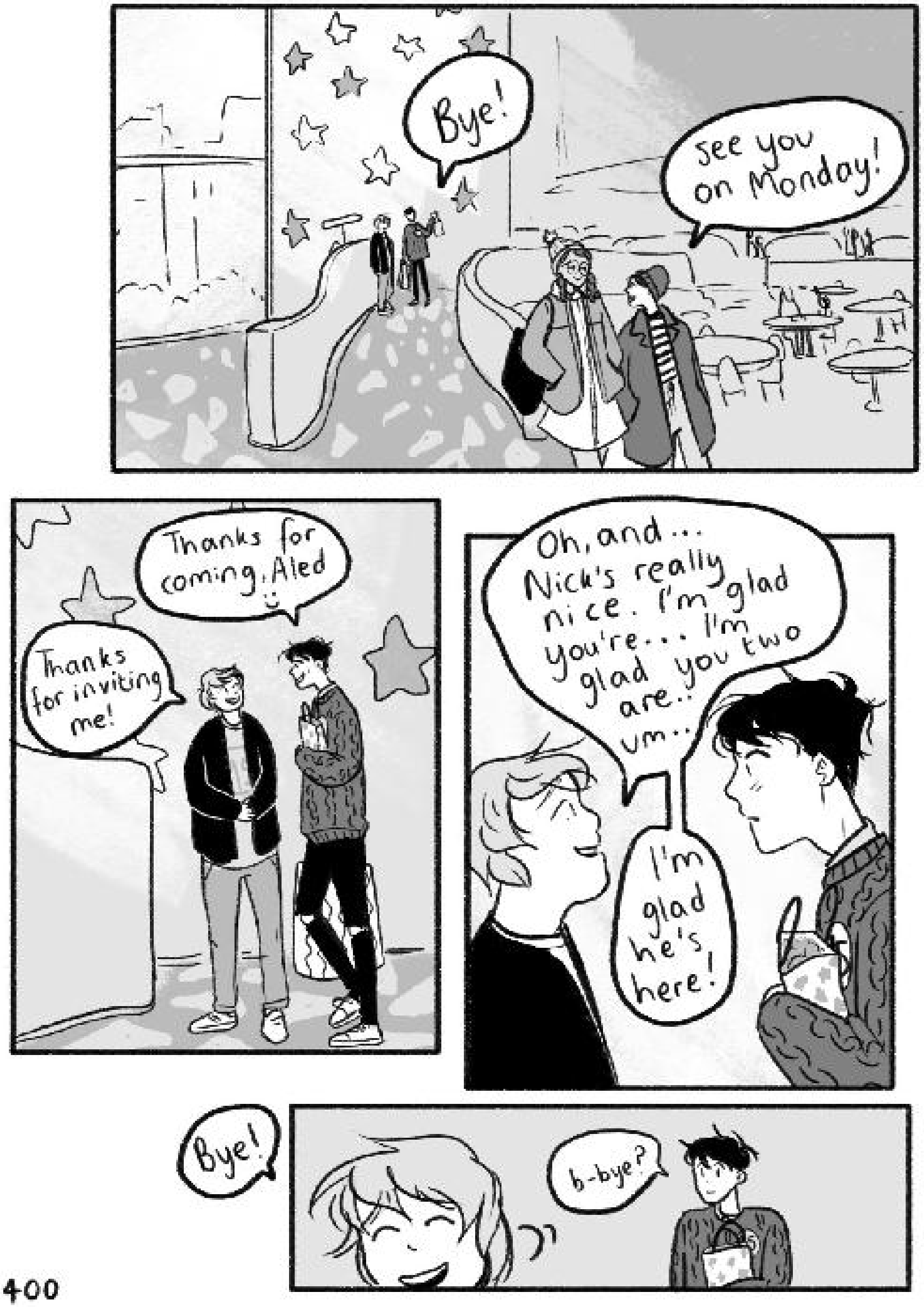
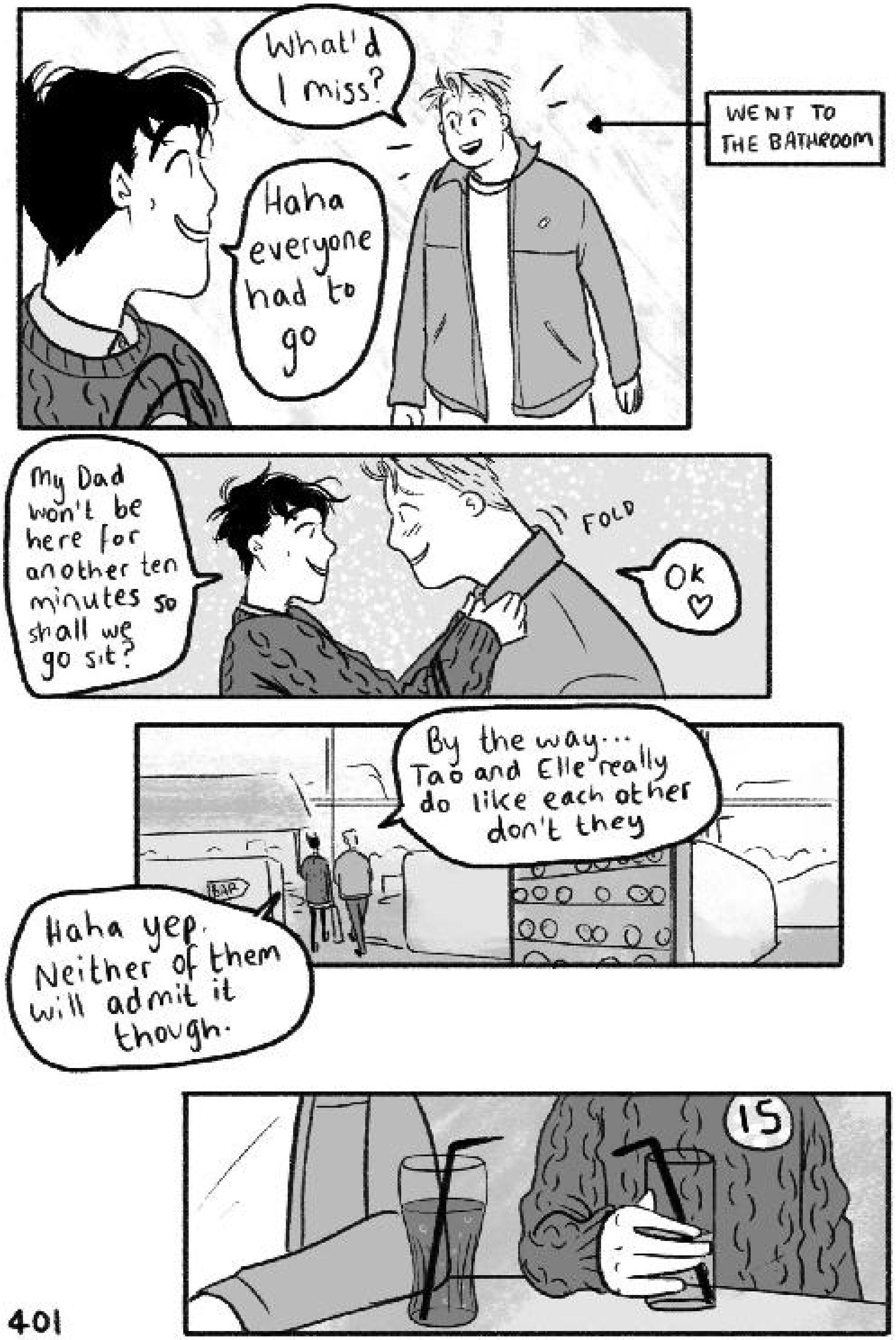
okay
um... have you two been served?
YESSS!


GAME 2 WINNER
ELLE SMELLS!
I WIN
ughhh why do I always lose
CLAP CLAP
It's because you have such adorably short arms, Tiny Tao
SHUT UP!! and don't call me that
Just stating the facts, Tiny. No need to blush!
go away


Bye!
See you on Monday!
Thanks for coming, Aled
Thanks for inviting me!
Oh, and... Nick's really nice. I'm glad you're... I'm glad you two are.. um..
I'm glad he's here!
Bye!
b-bye?


What'd I miss?
WENT TO THE BATHROOM
Haha everyone had to go
My Dad won't be here for another ten minutes so shall we go sit?
FOLD
Ok ♡
By the way... Tao and Elle really do like each other don't they
BAR
Haha yep. Neither of them will admit it though.
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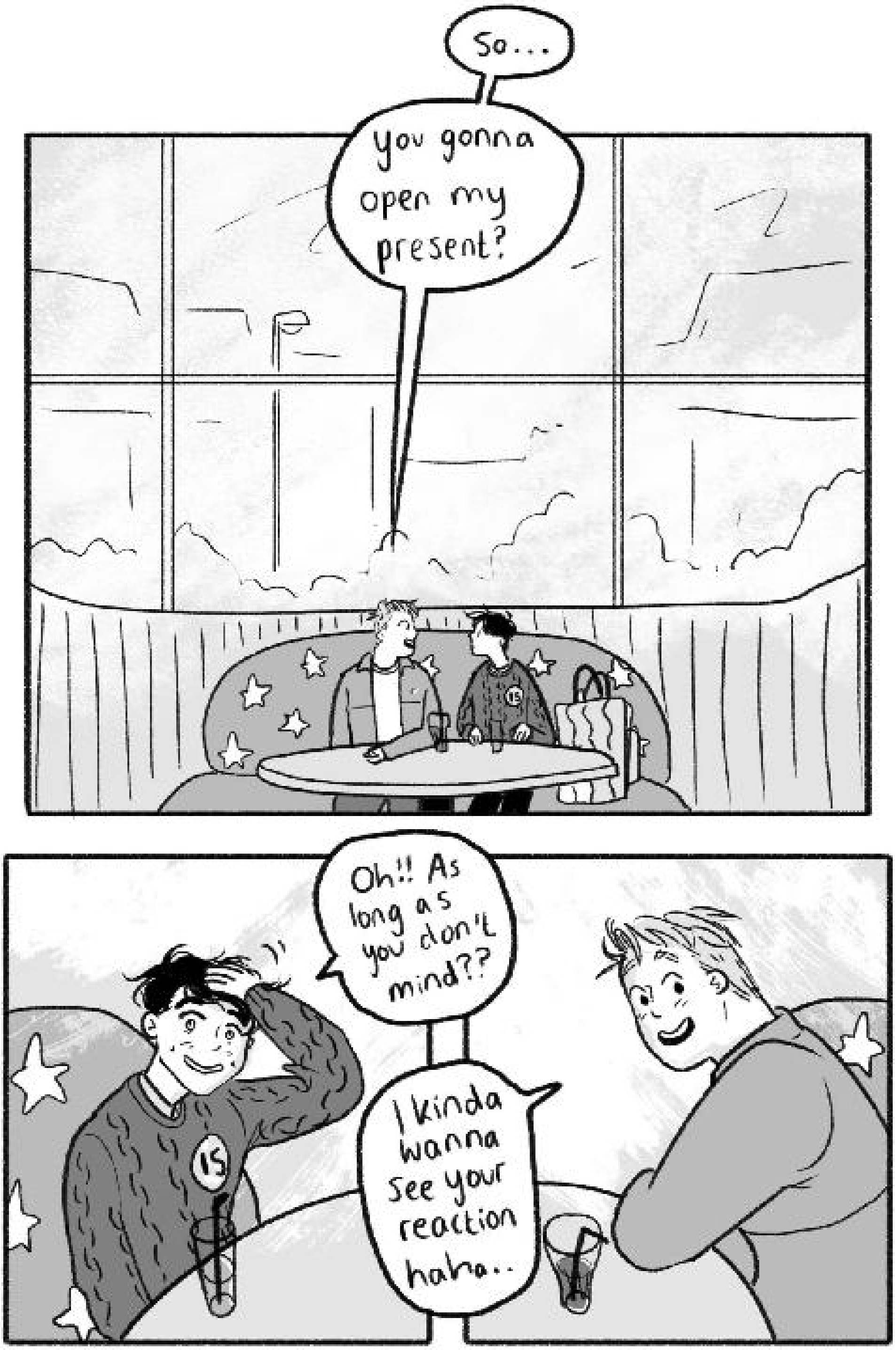
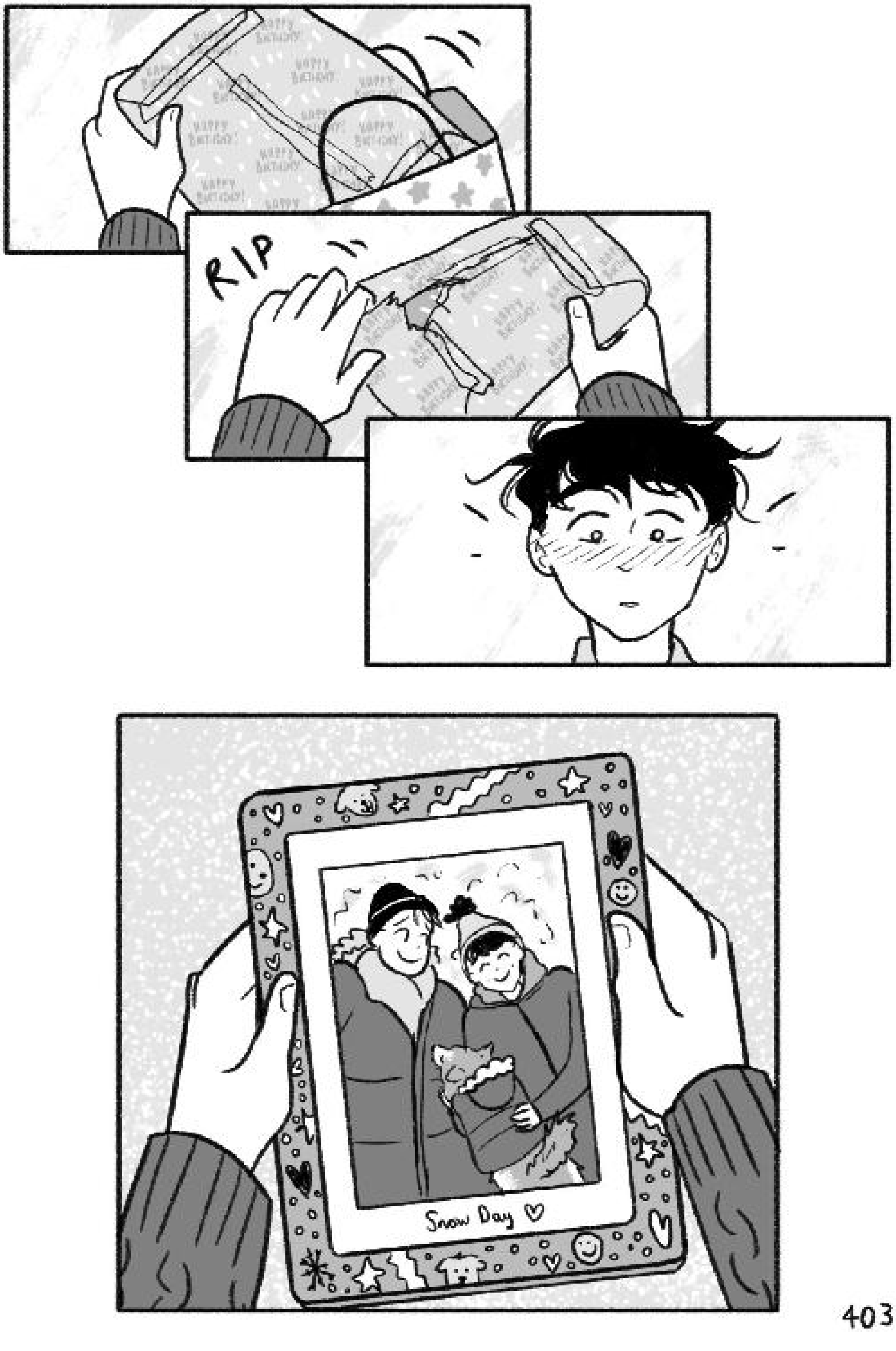
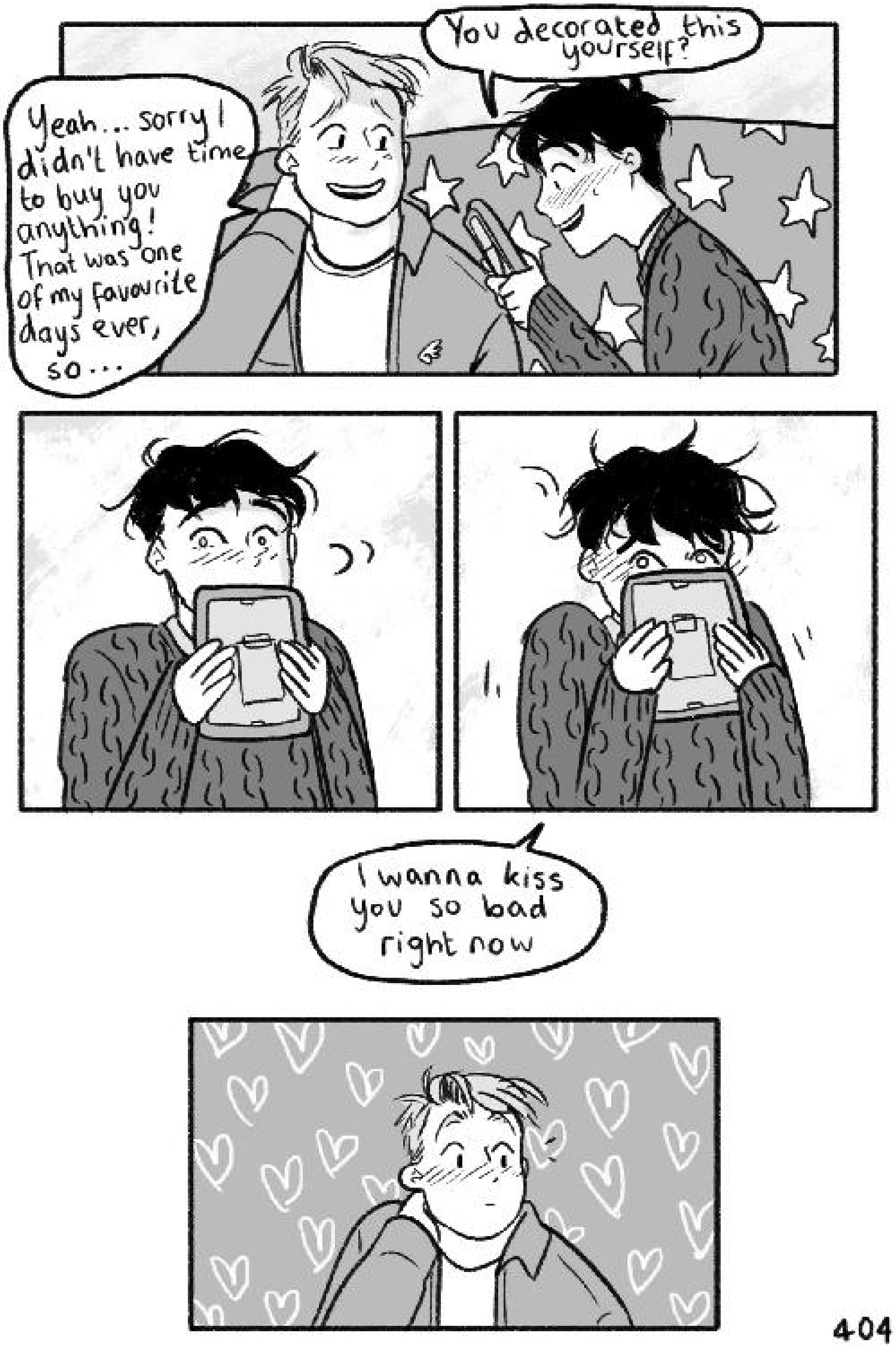
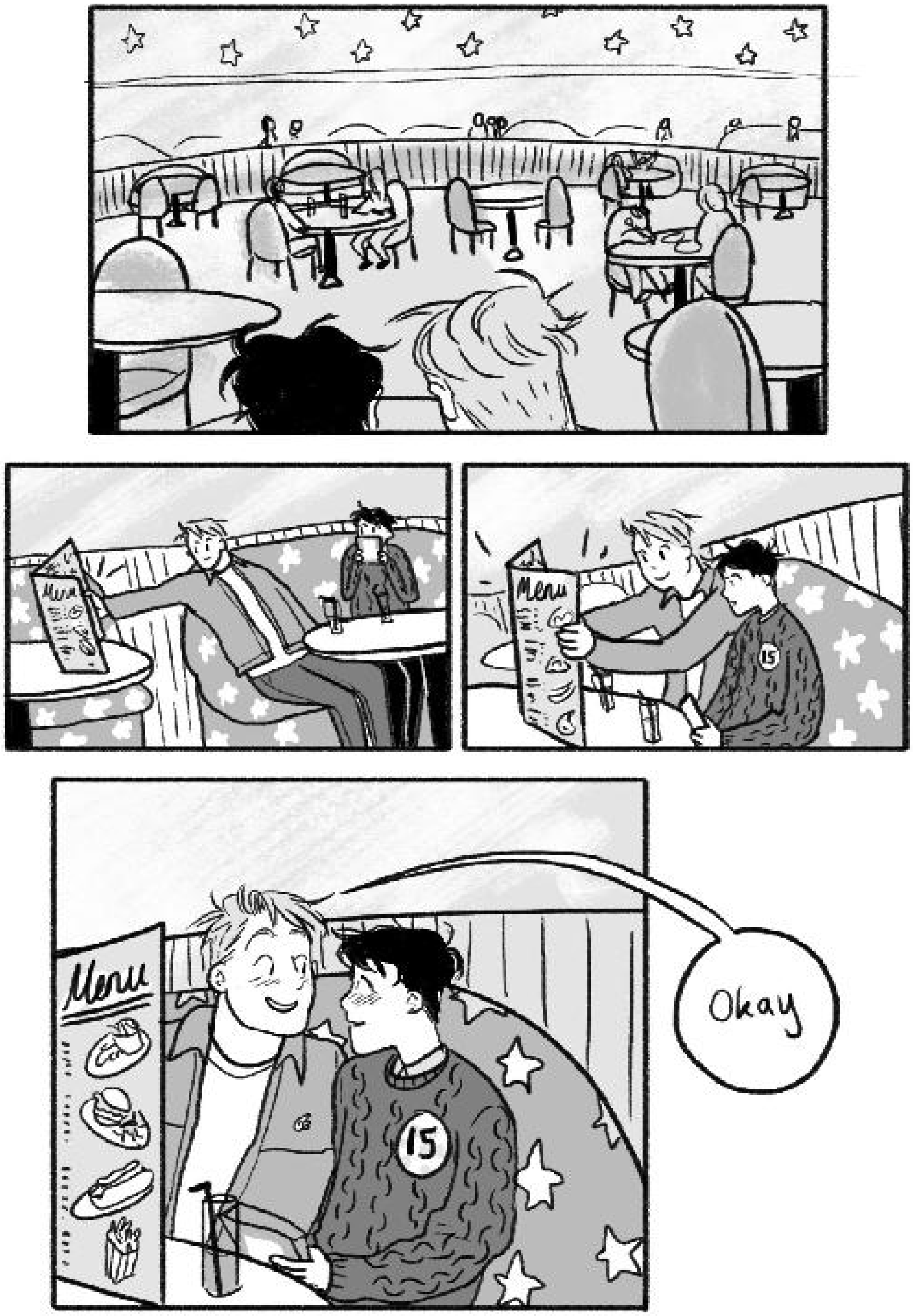

So...
You gonna open my present?
Oh!! As long as you don't mind??
I kinda wanna see your reaction haha..


HAPPY BIRTHDAY!
RIP
Snow Day ♡


You decorated this yourself?
Yeah... sorry I didn't have time to buy you anything! That was one of my favourite days ever, so...
I wanna kiss you so bad right now


Menu
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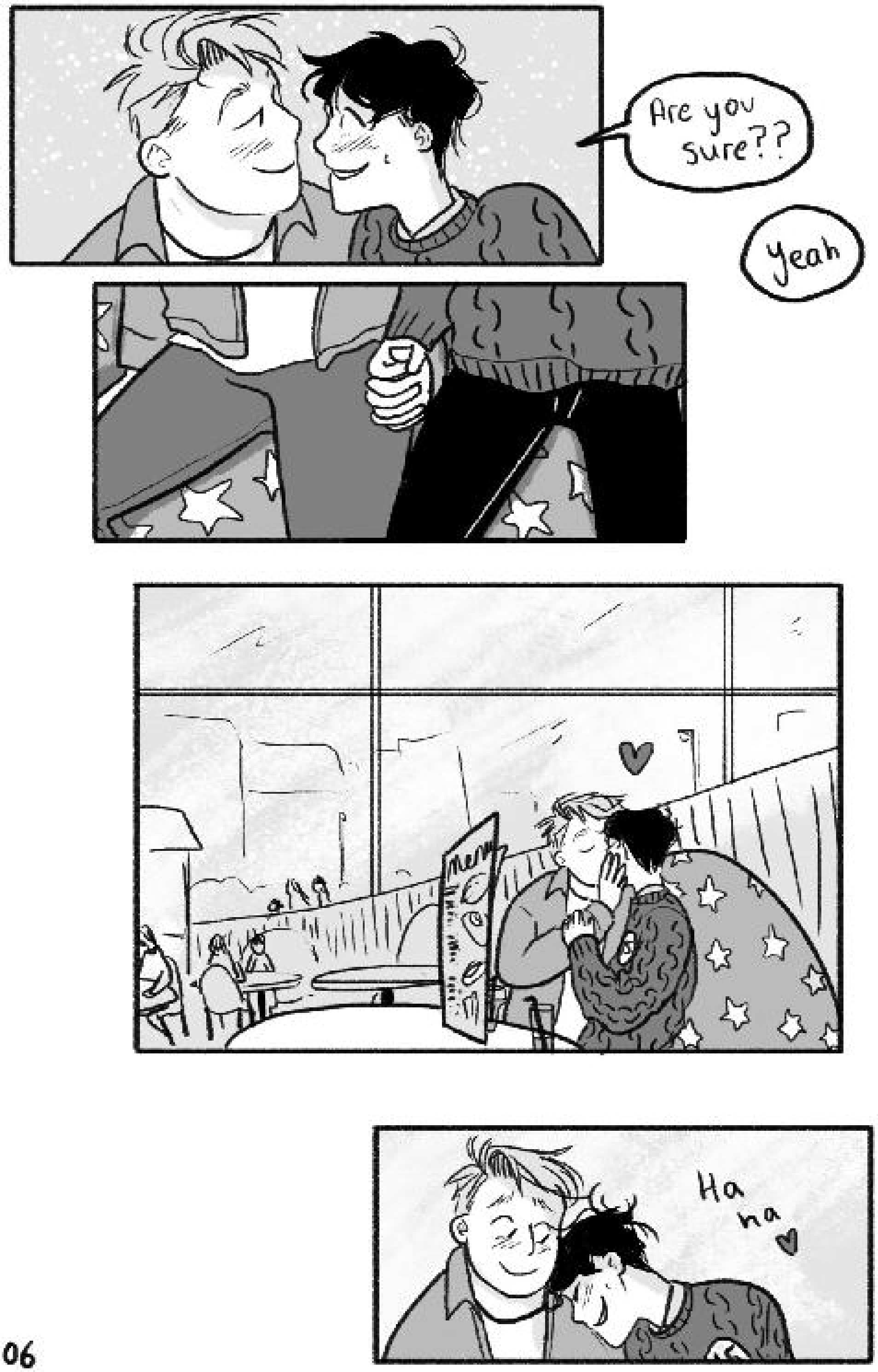
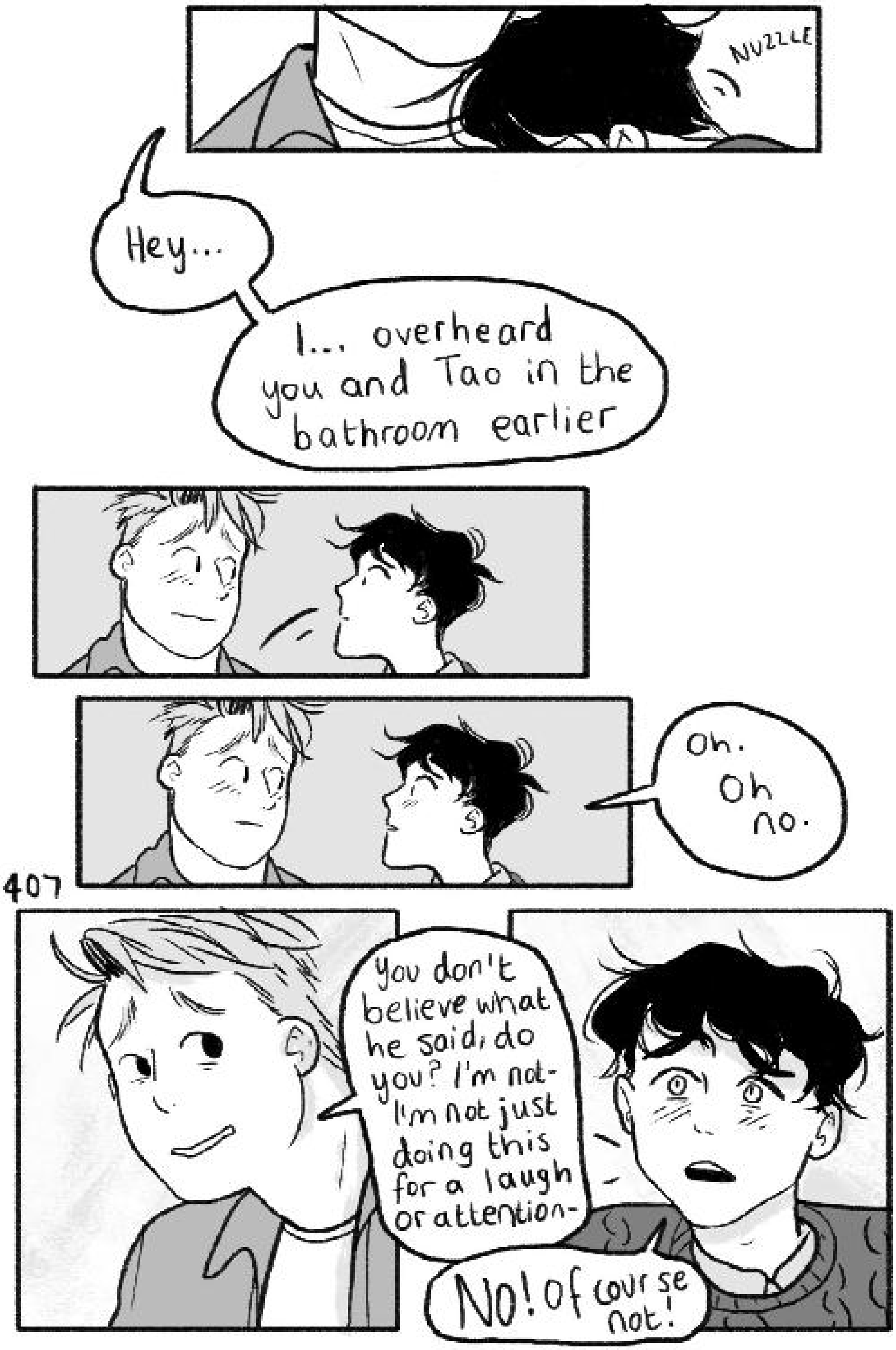
Okay


Are you sure??
Yeah
Menu
Ha ha ♥


NUZZLE
Hey...
I... overheard you and Tao in the bathroom earlier
Oh. Oh no.
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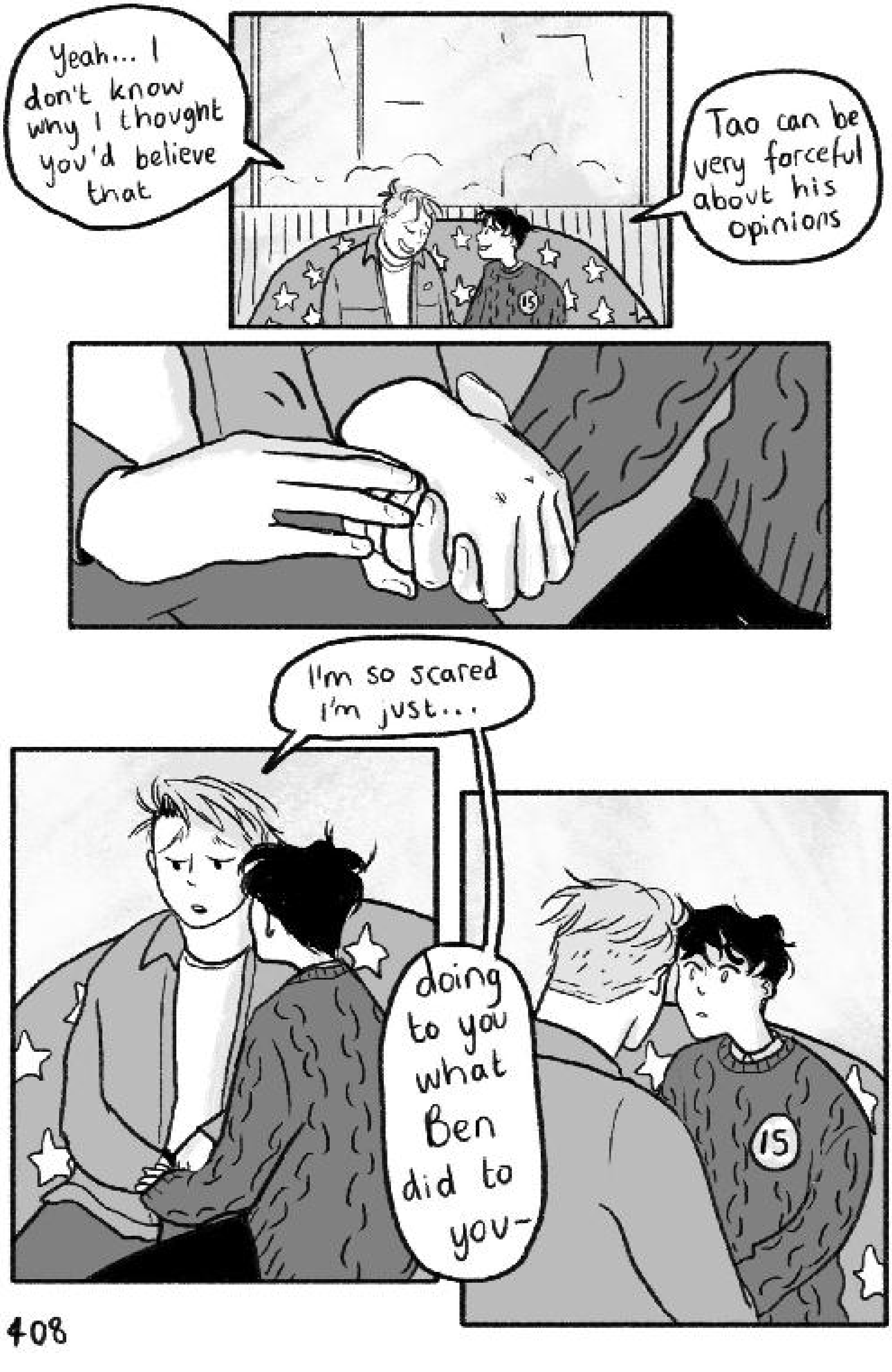
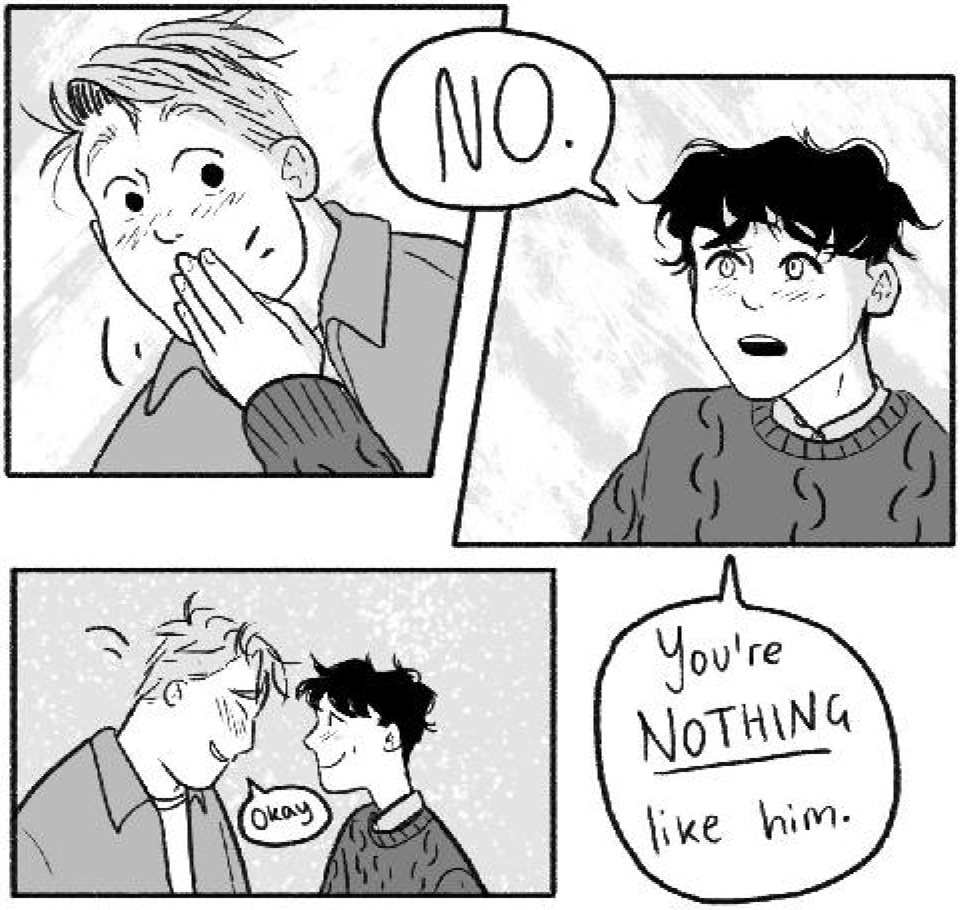
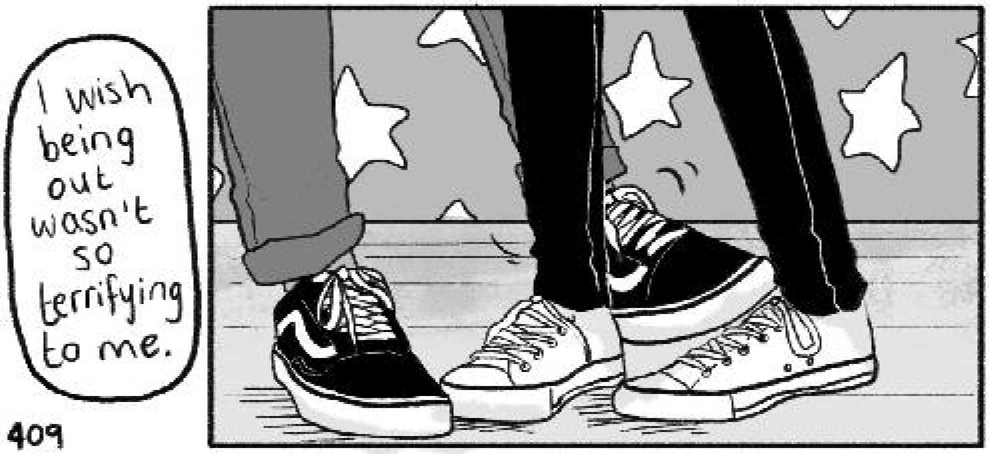
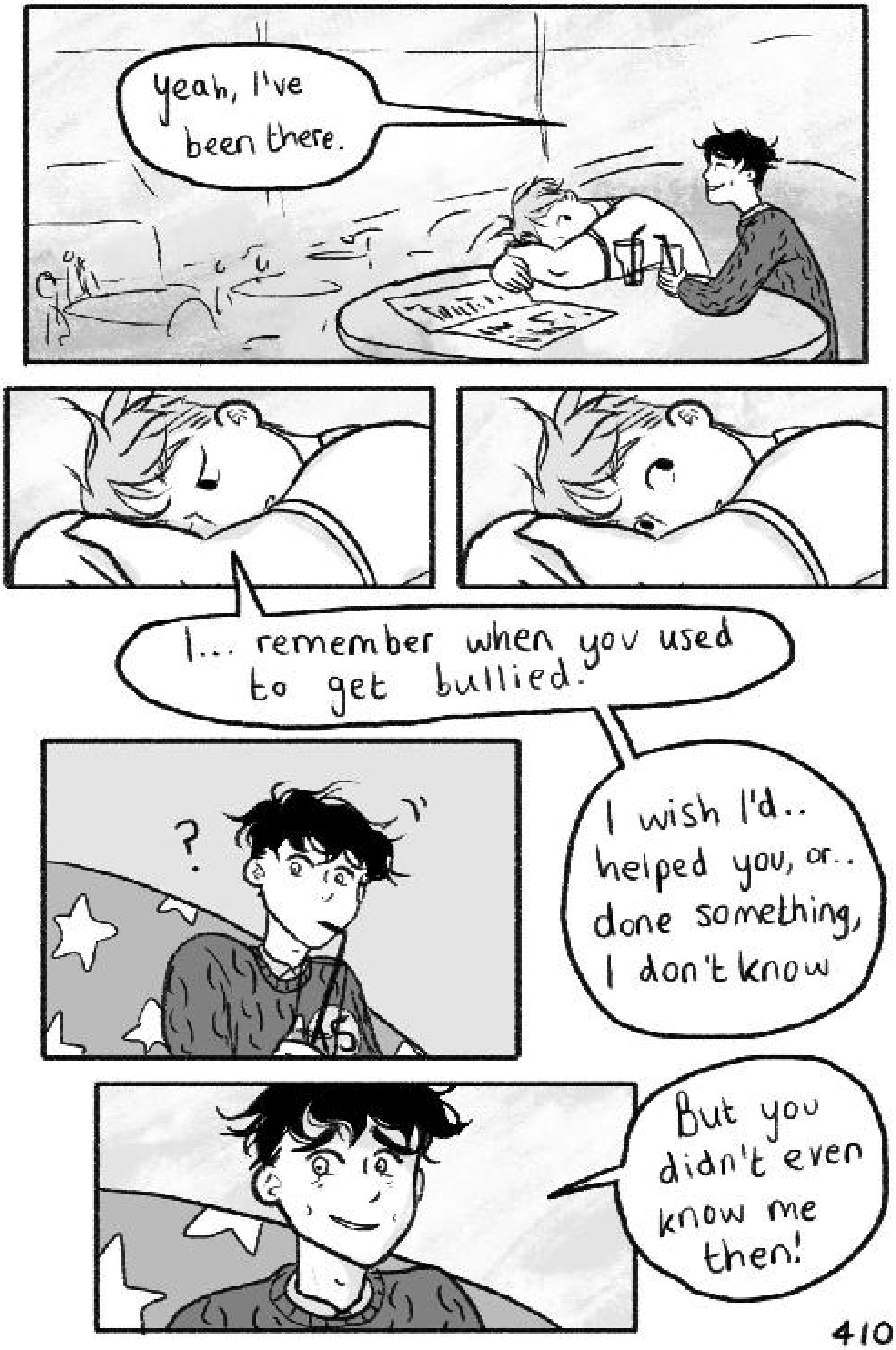
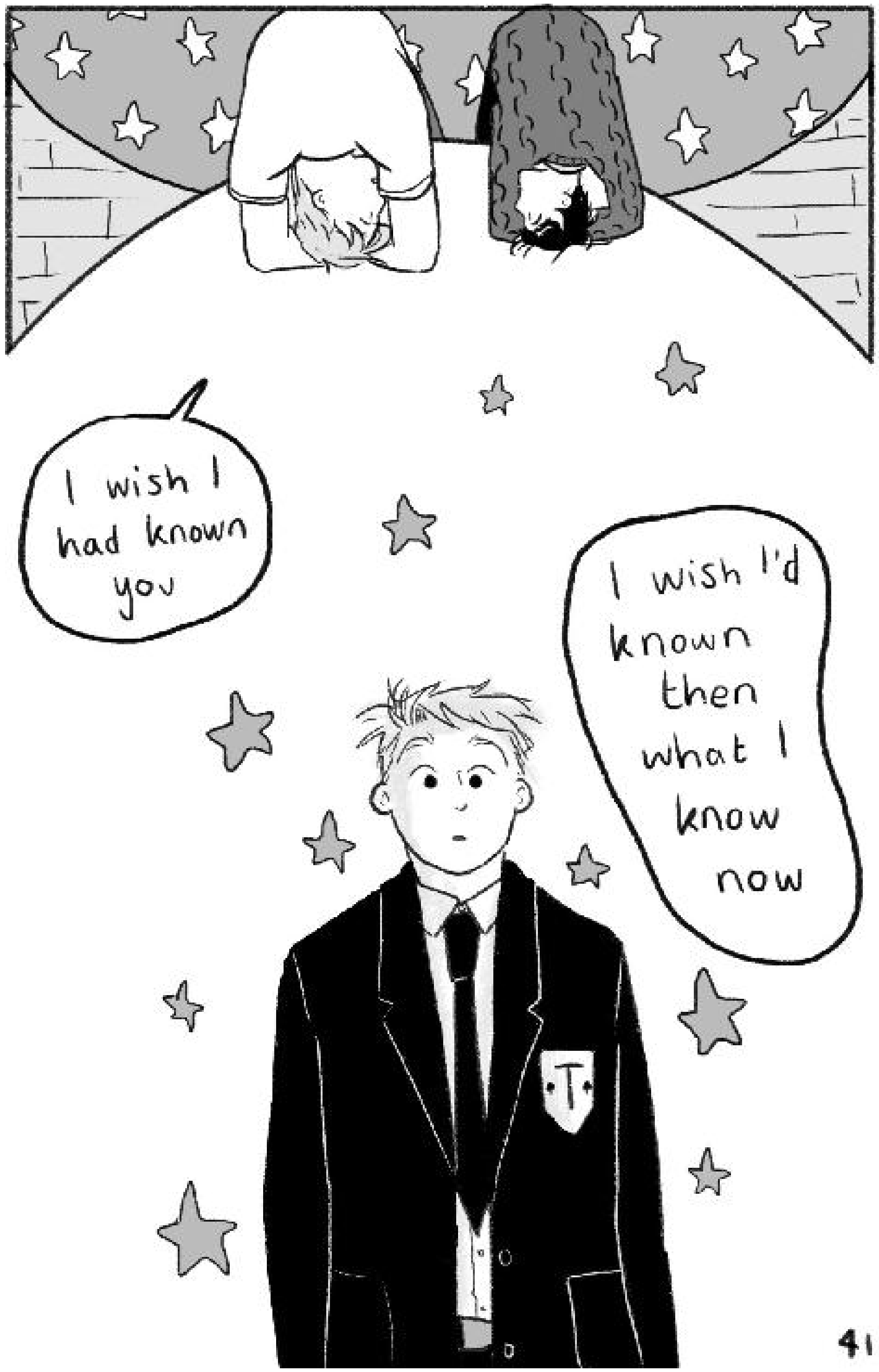
You don't believe what he said, do you? I'm not- I'm not just doing this for a laugh or attention-
No! of course not!

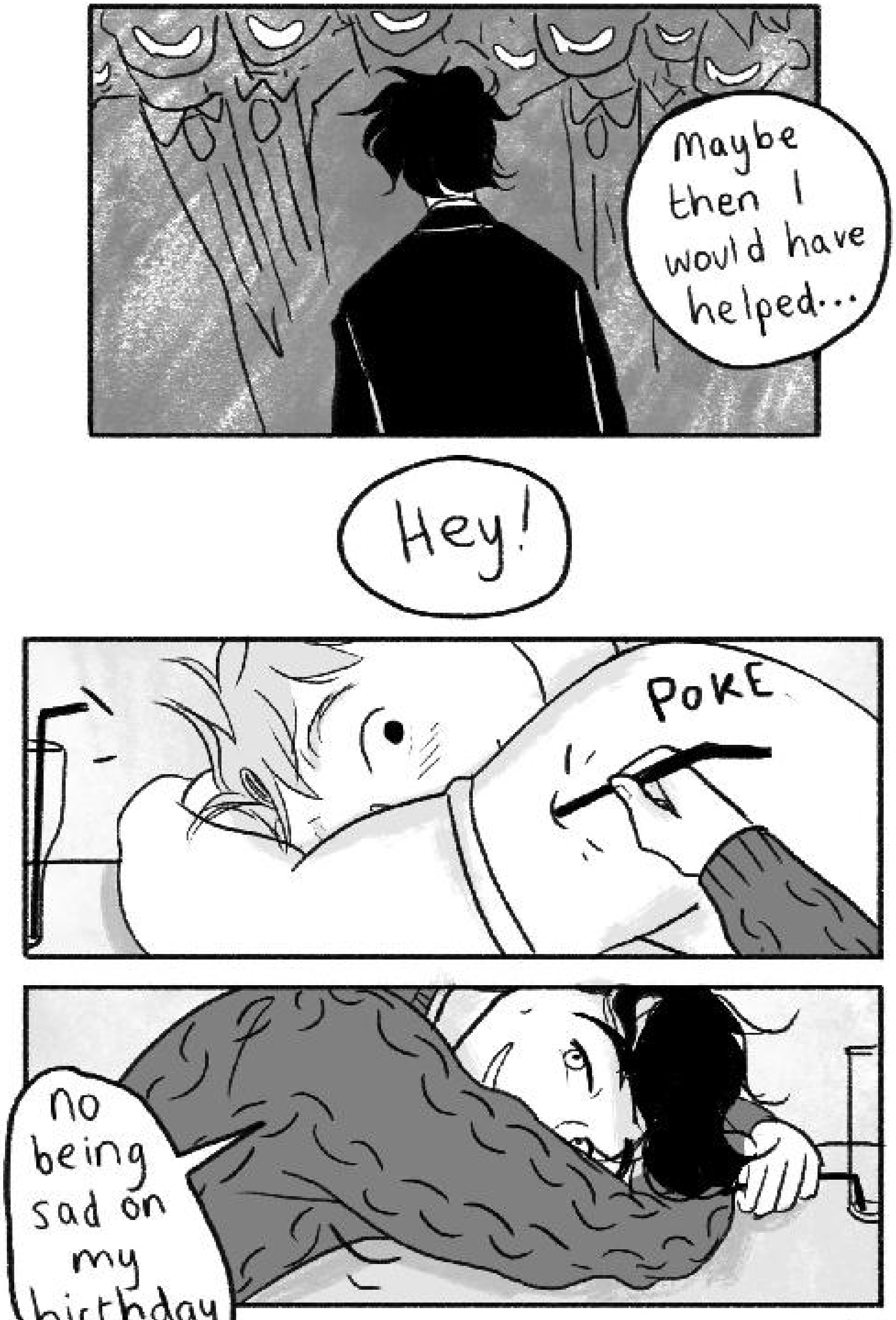

Yeah... I don't know why I thought you'd believe that
Tao can be very forceful about his opinions
I'm so scared I'm just...
doing to you what Ben did to you-

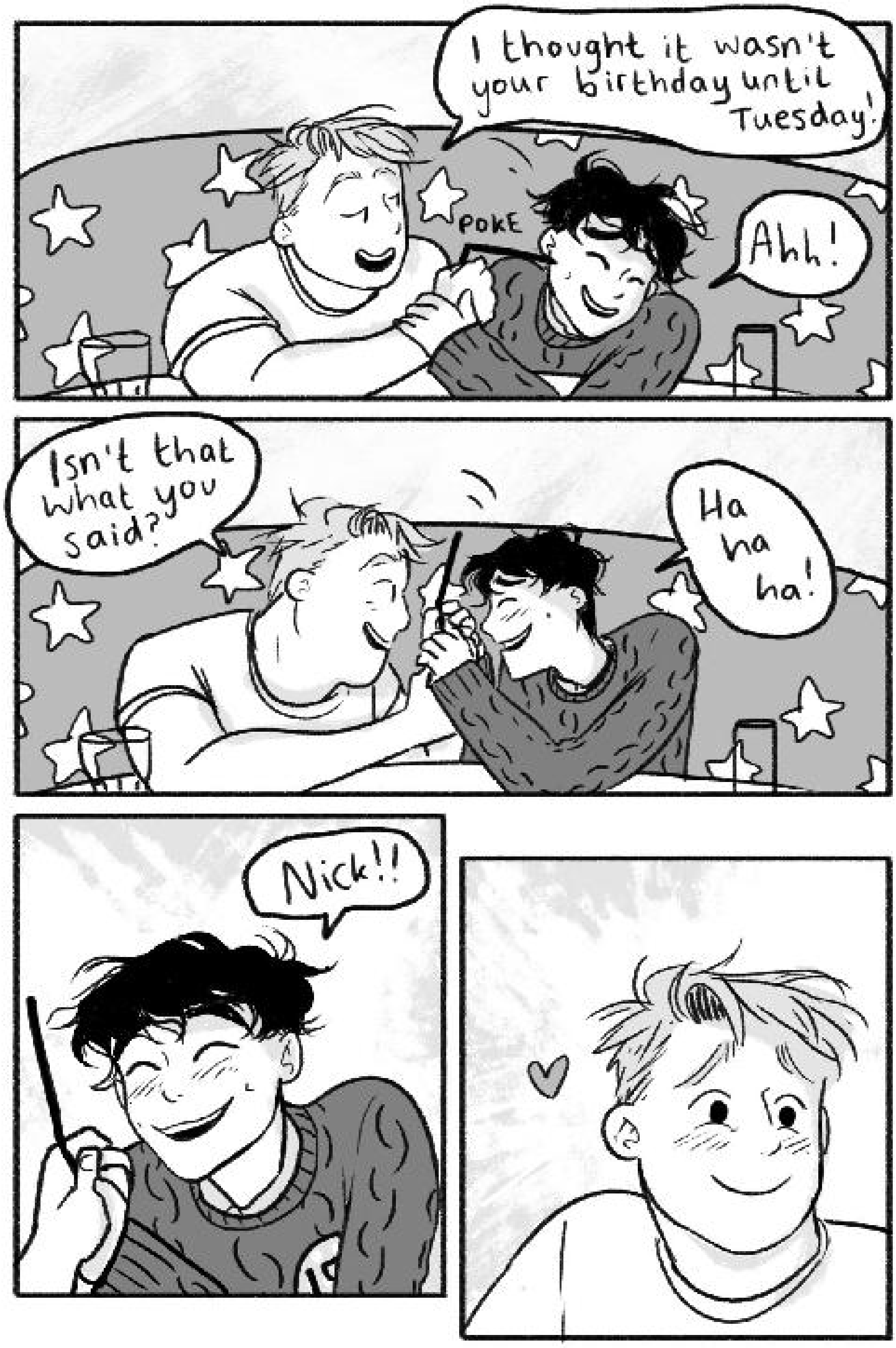

NO.
You're NOTHING like him.
Okay

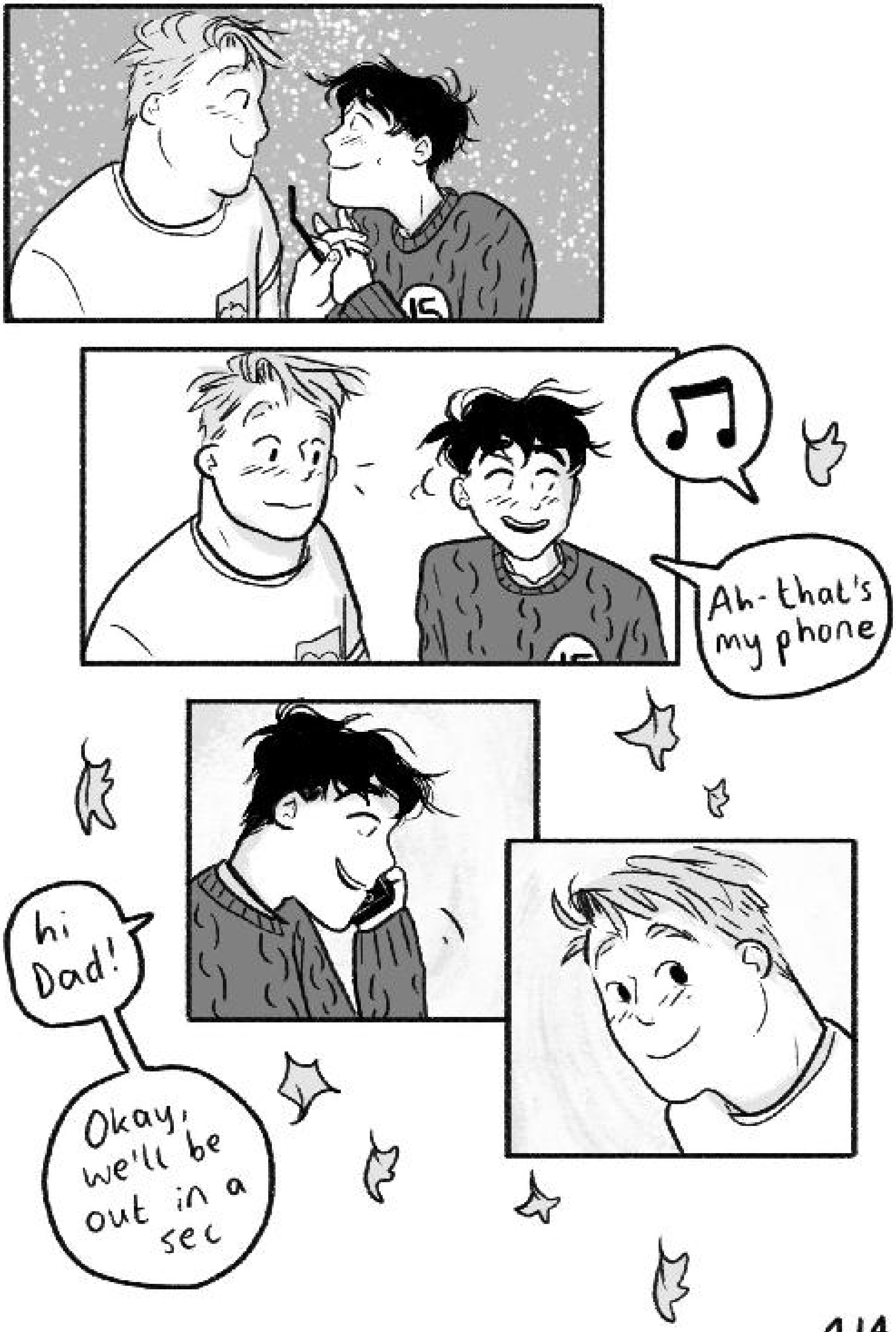

I wish being out wasn't so terrifying to me.


yeah, I've been there.
I... remember when you used to get bullied.
?
I wish I'd.. helped you, or.. done something, I don't know
But you didn't even know me then!


I wish I had known you
I wish I'd known then what I know now


Maybe then I would have helped...
Hey!
POKE
no being sad on my birthday


I thought it wasn't your birthday until Tuesday!
POKE
Ahh!
Isn't that what you said?
Ha ha ha!
Nick!!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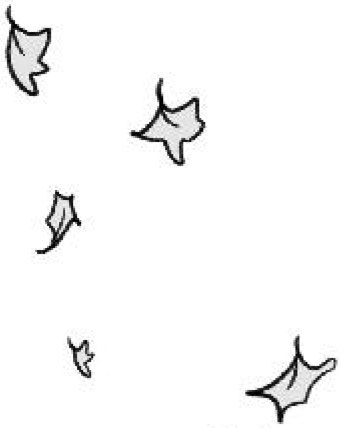
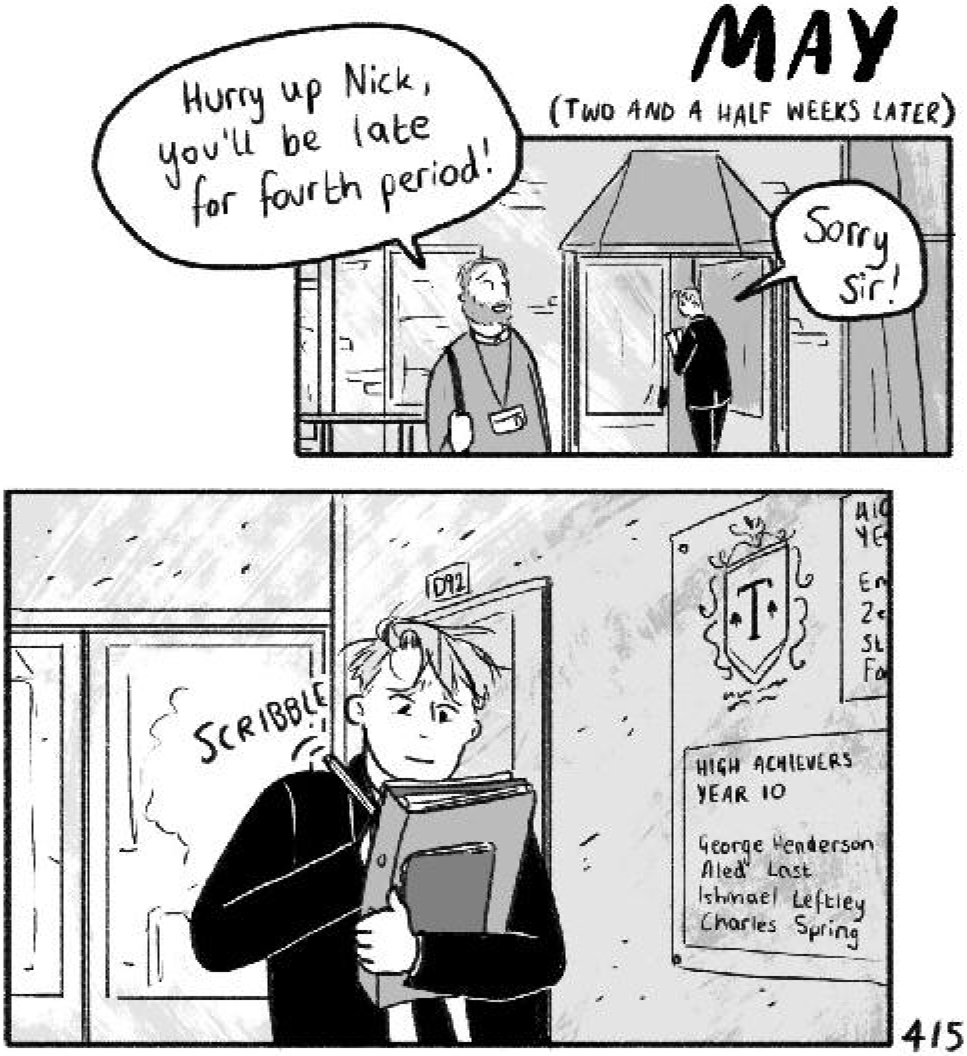
Ah- that's my phone
hi Dad!
Okay, we'll be out in a sec




MAY
(TWO AND A HALF WEEKS LATER)
Hurry up Nick, you'll be late for fourth period!
Sorry sir!
D92
SCRIBBLE
HIGH ACHIEVERS
YEAR 10
George Henderson
Aled Last
Ishmael Leftley
Charles Spring
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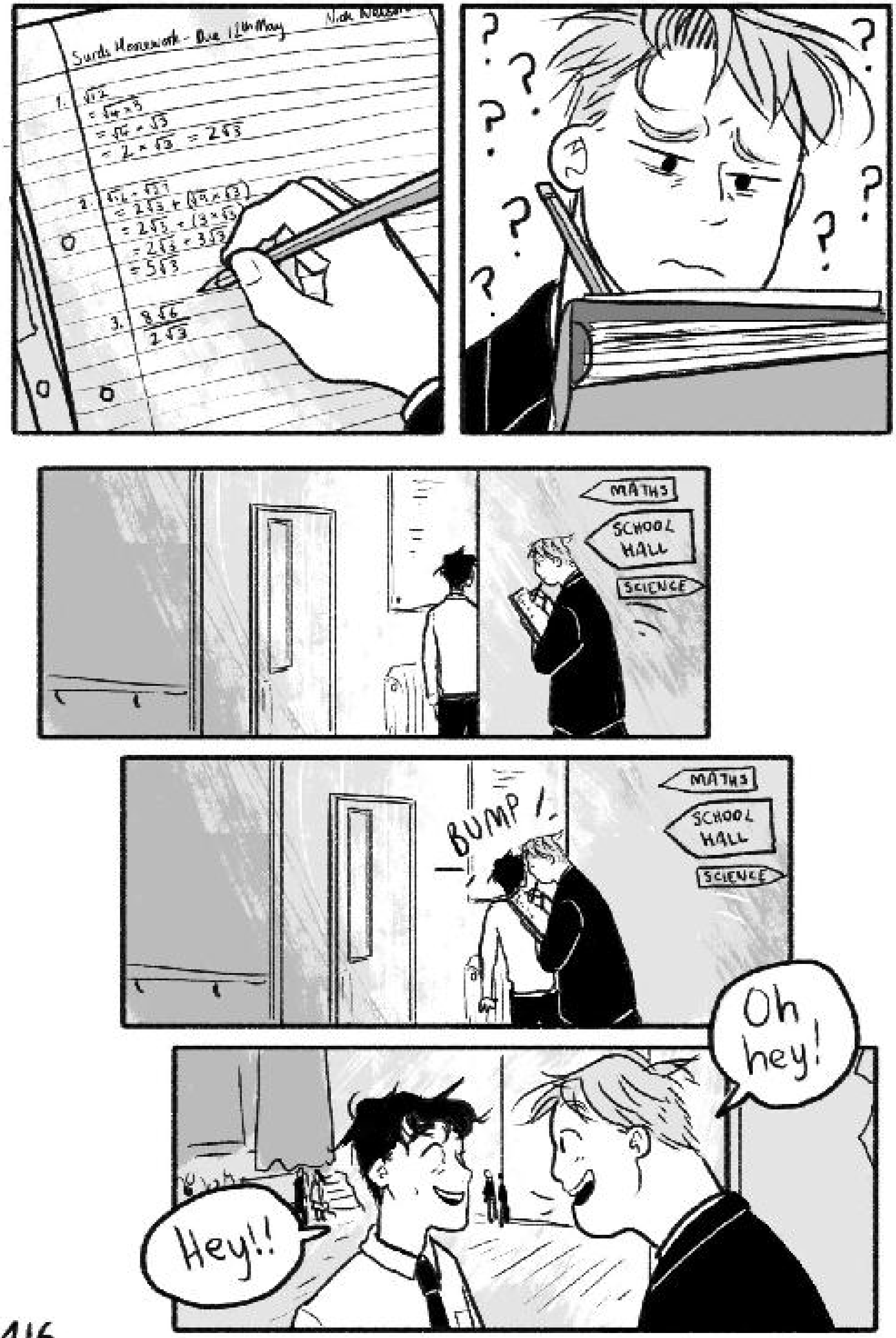
Surds Homework - Due 12th May
Nick Nelson
1. $\sqrt{12}$
$= \sqrt{4 \times 3}$
$= \sqrt{4} \times \sqrt{3}$
$= 2 \times \sqrt{3} = 2\sqrt{3}$
2. $\sqrt{12} + \sqrt{27}$
$= 2\sqrt{3} + (\sqrt{9} \times \sqrt{3})$
$= 2\sqrt{3} + (3 \times \sqrt{3})$
$= 2\sqrt{3} + 3\sqrt{3}$
$= 5\sqrt{3}$
3. $\frac{8\sqrt{6}}{2\sqrt{3}}$
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MATHS
SCHOOL HALL
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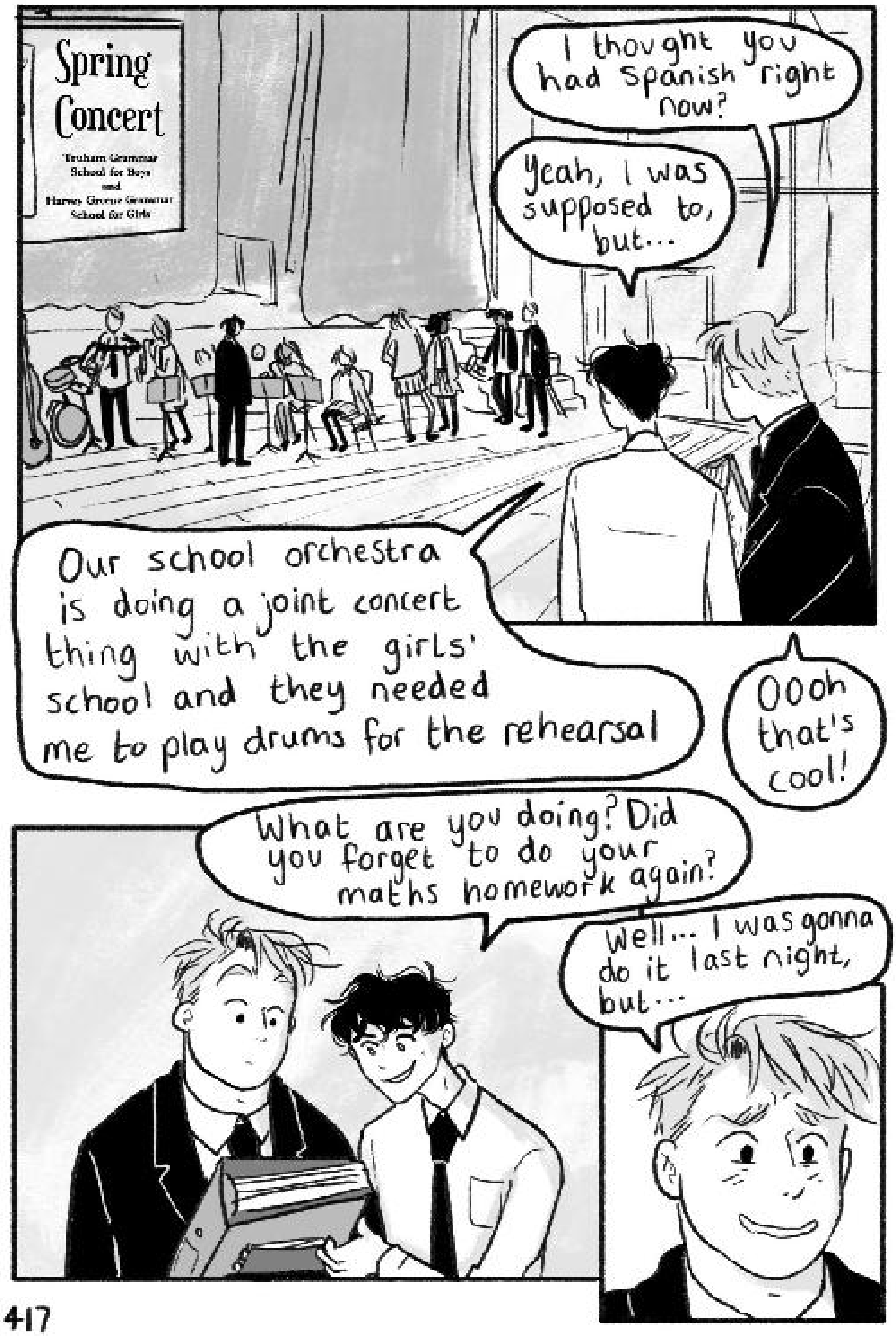
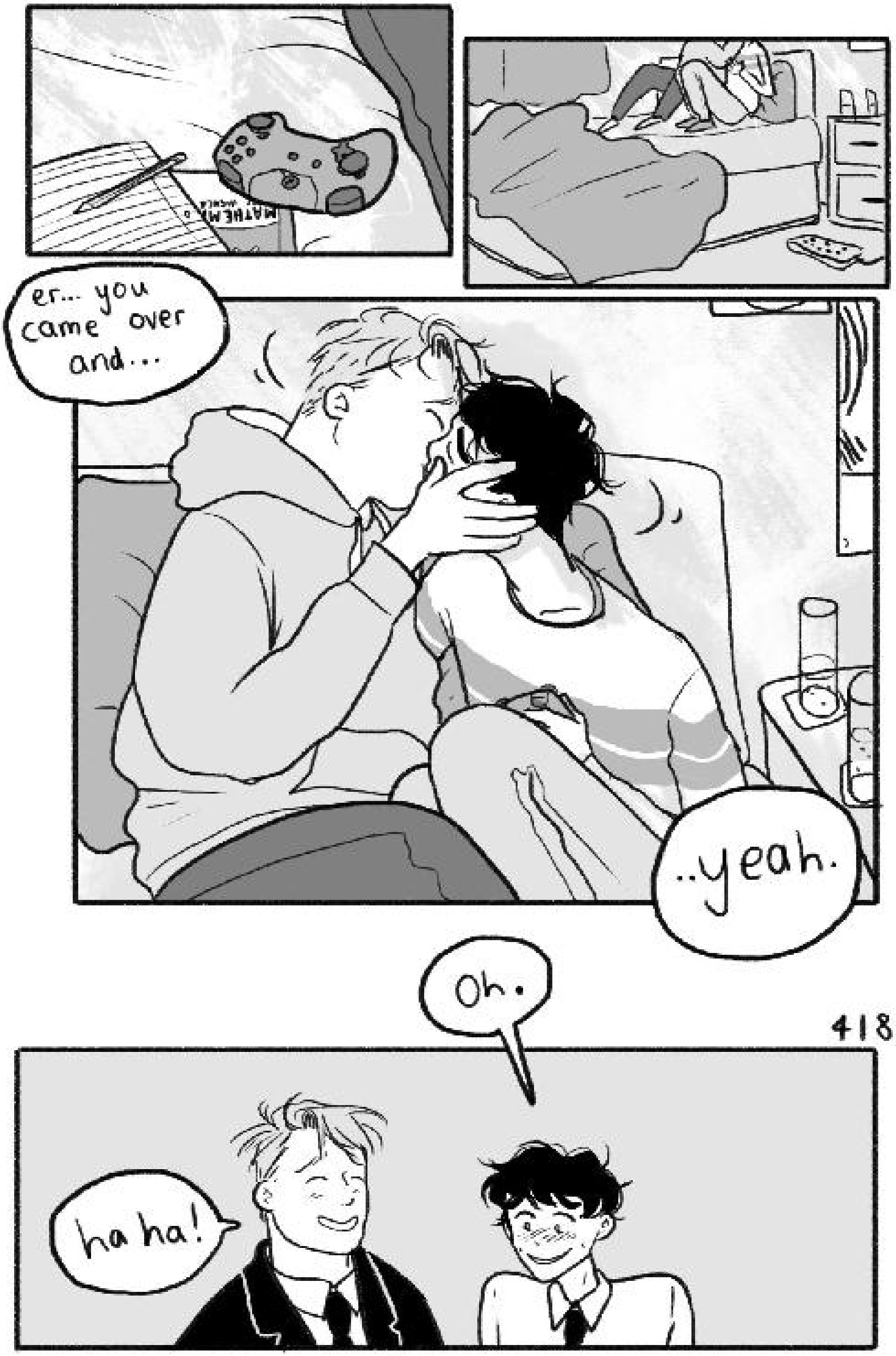
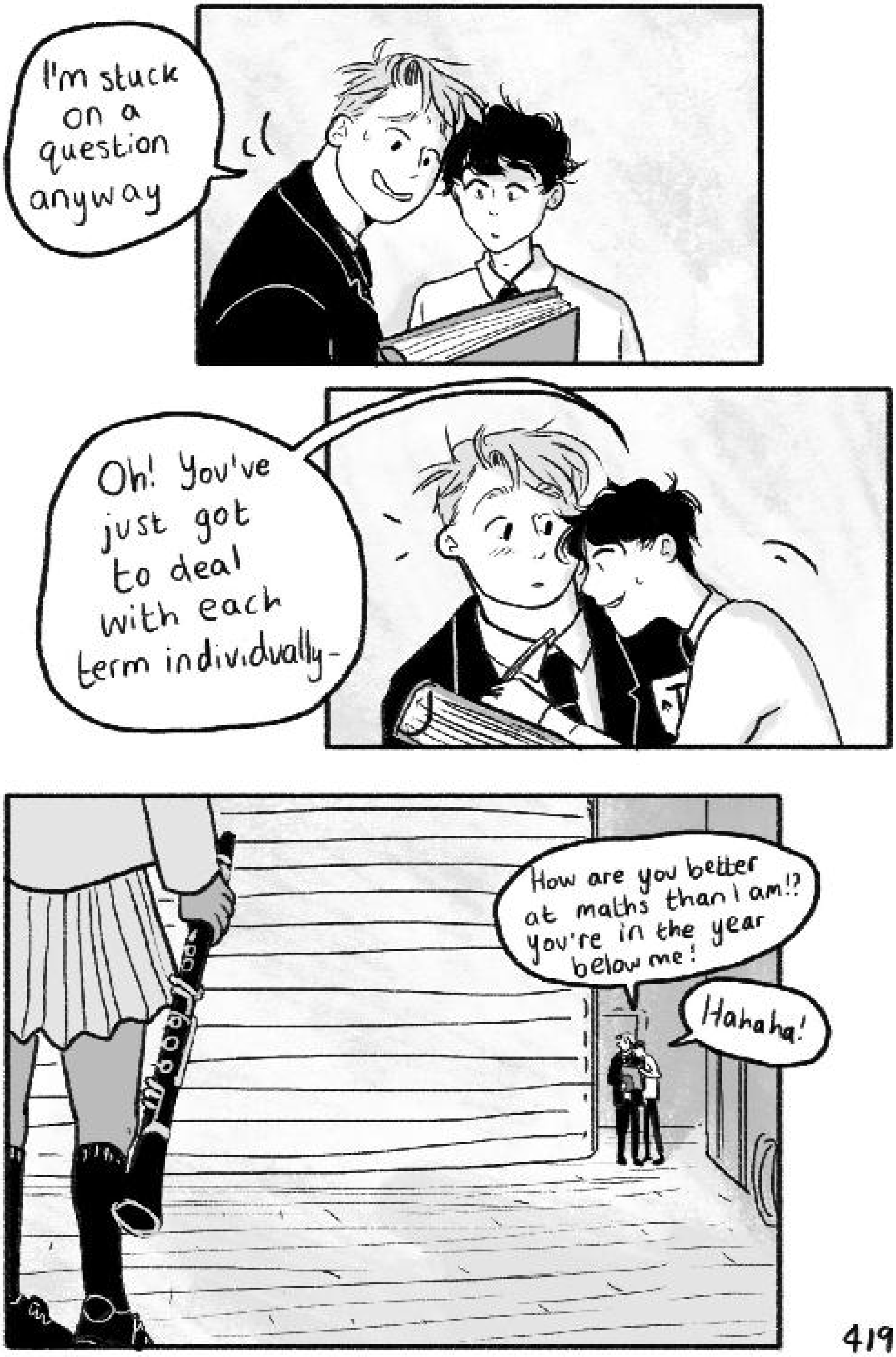
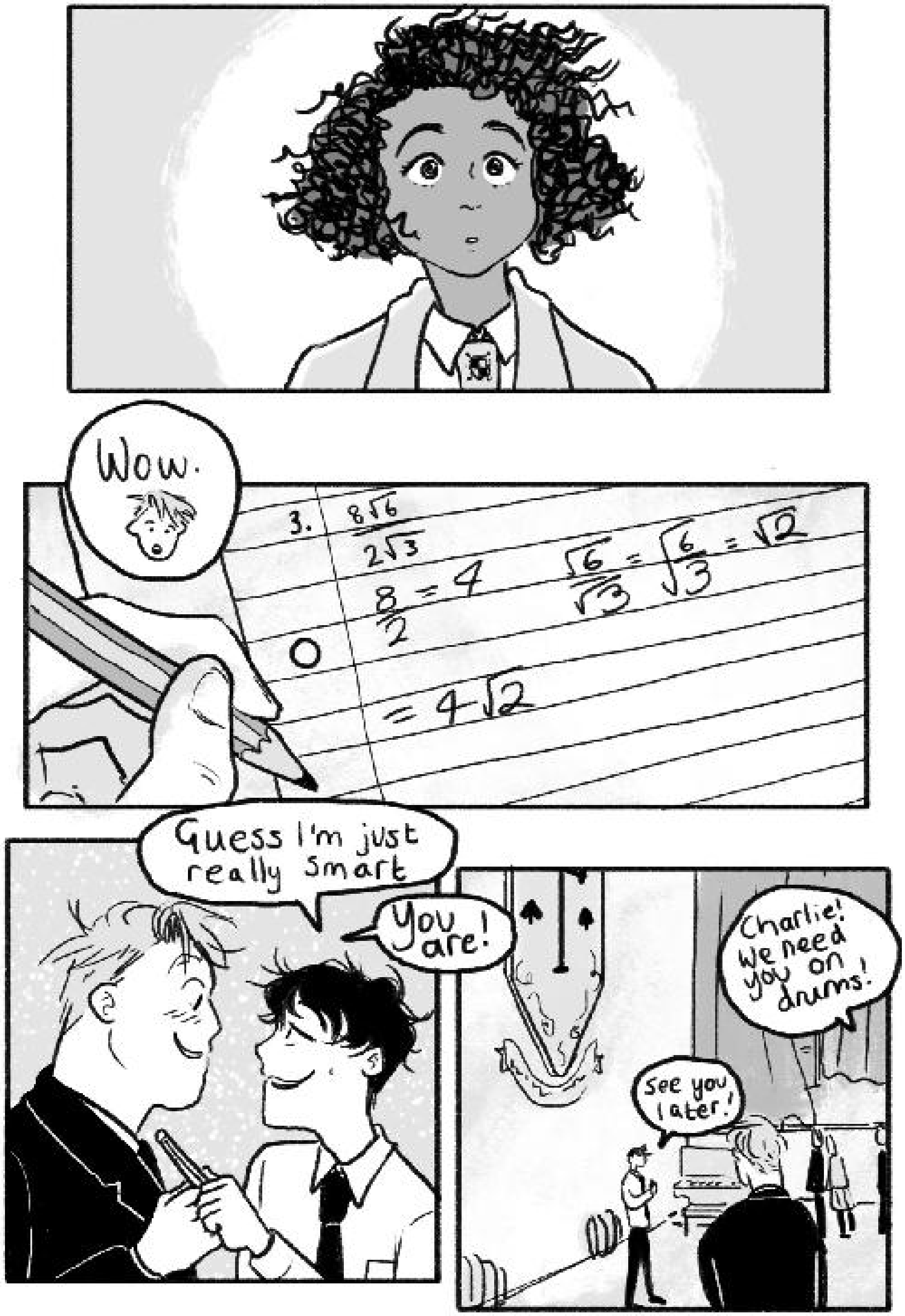
SCIENCE
BUMP!
Oh hey!
Hey!!


Spring Concert
Truham Grammar School for Boys and Harvey Greene Grammar School for Girls
I thought you had Spanish right now?
Yeah, I was supposed to, but...
Our school orchestra is doing a joint concert thing with the girls' school and they needed me to play drums for the rehearsal
Oooh that's cool!
What are you doing? Did you forget to do your maths homework again?
Well... I was gonna do it last night, but...


er... you came over and...
..yeah.
Oh.
ha ha!


I'm stuck on a question anyway
Oh! You've just got to deal with each term individually-
How are you better at maths than I am!? You're in the year below me!
Hahaha!


Wow.
3. $\frac{8\sqrt{6}}{2\sqrt{3}}$
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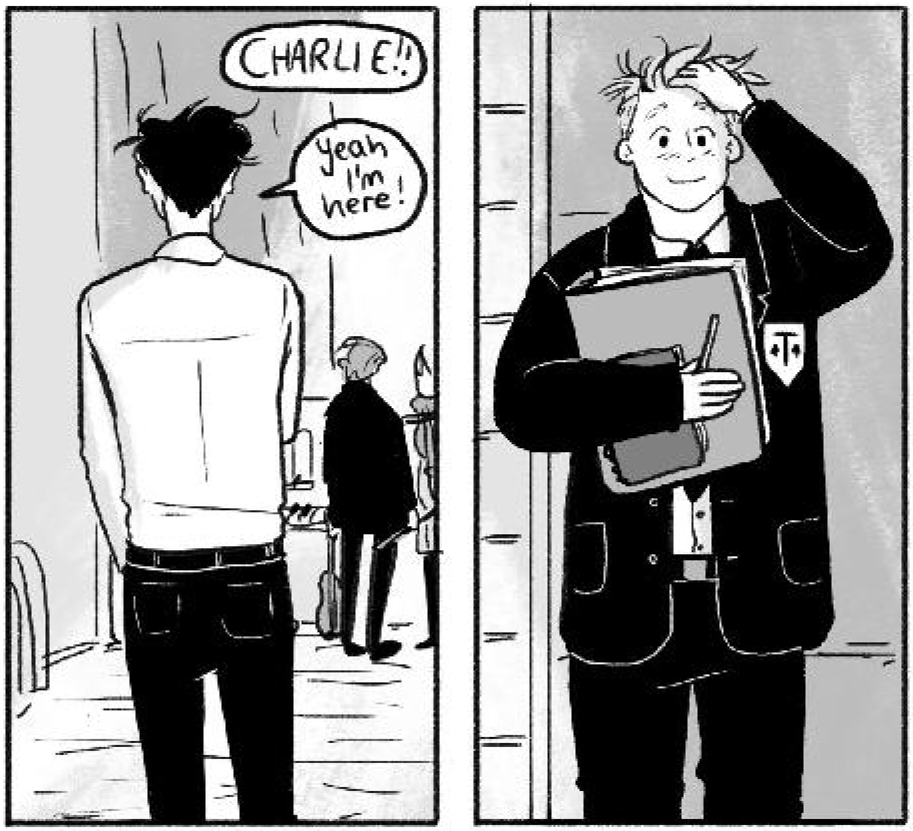
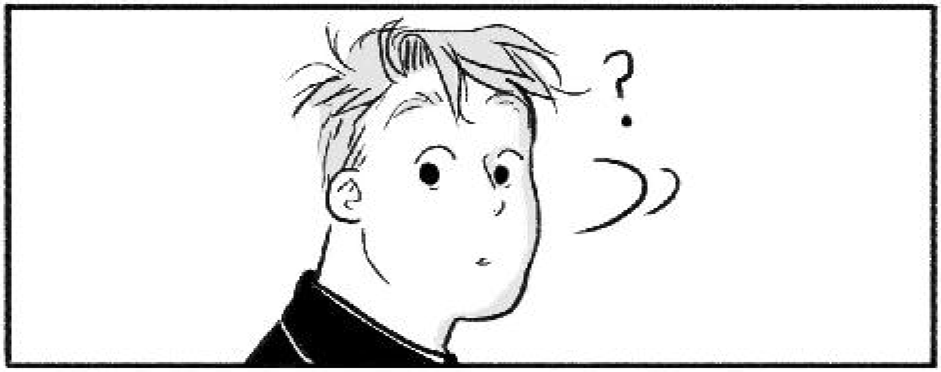
$= 4\sqrt{2}$
Guess I'm just really smart
You are!
Charlie! We need you on drums!
See you later!


CHARLIE!!
Yeah I'm here!
Hey Nick?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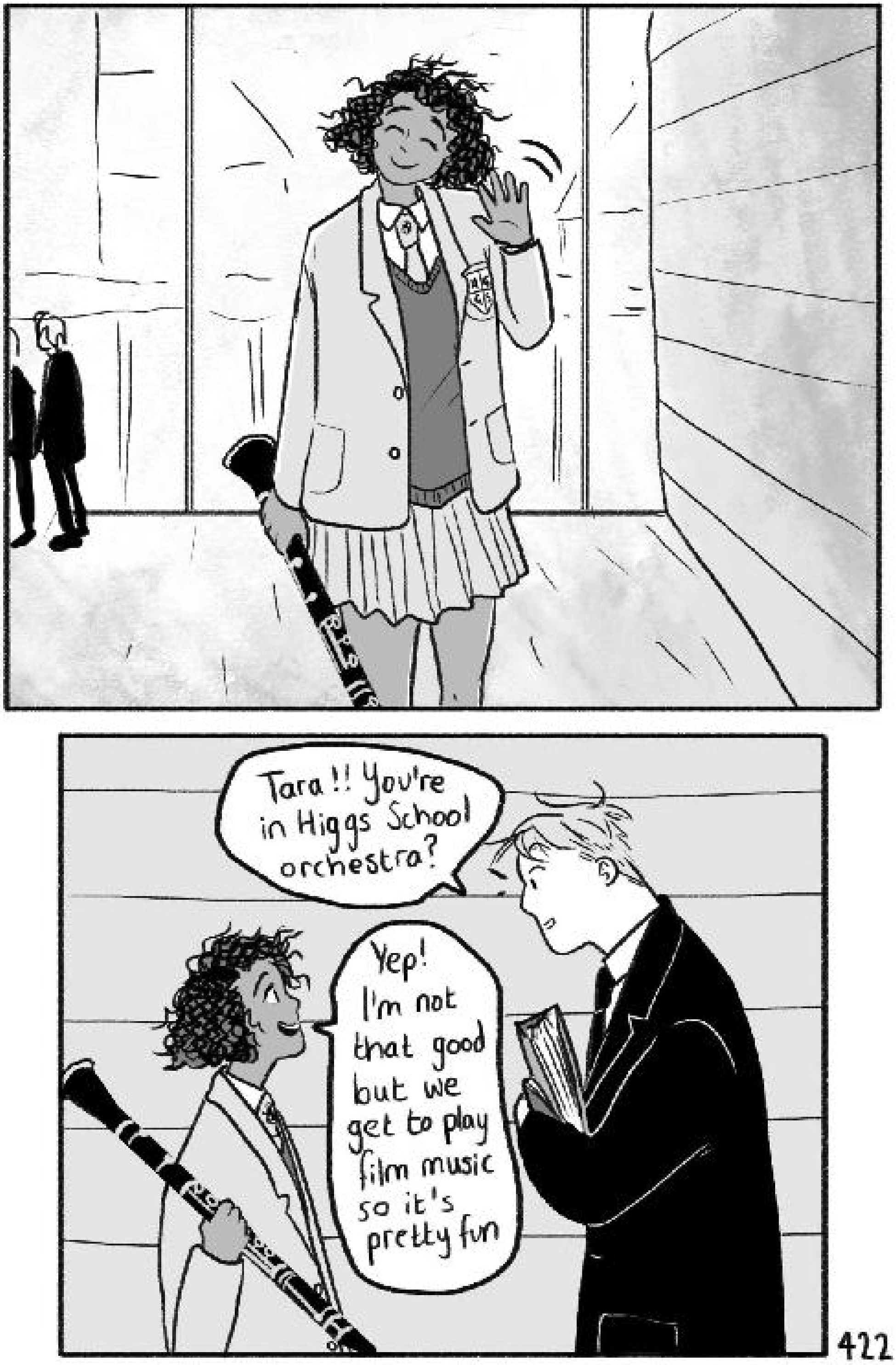
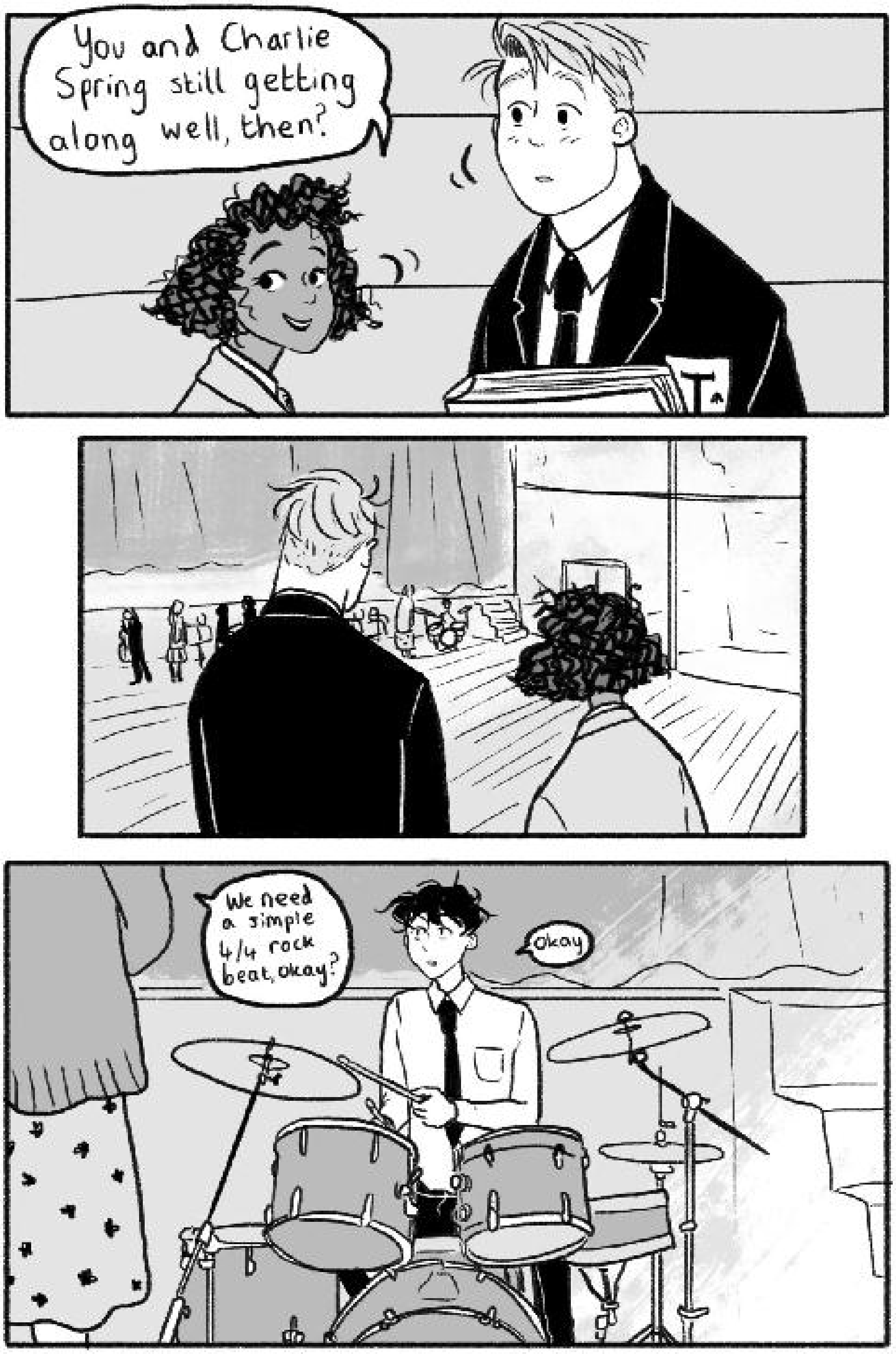
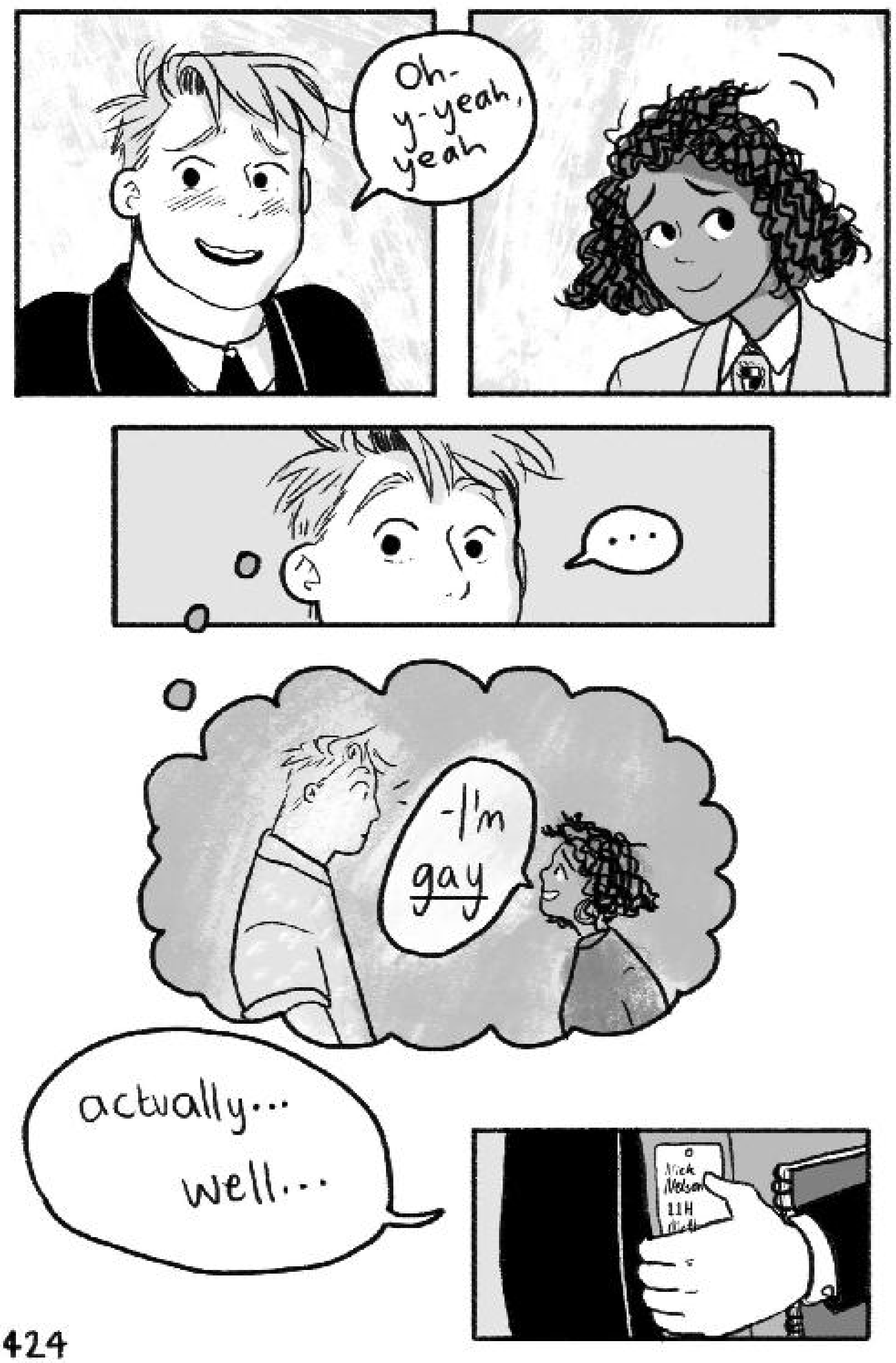
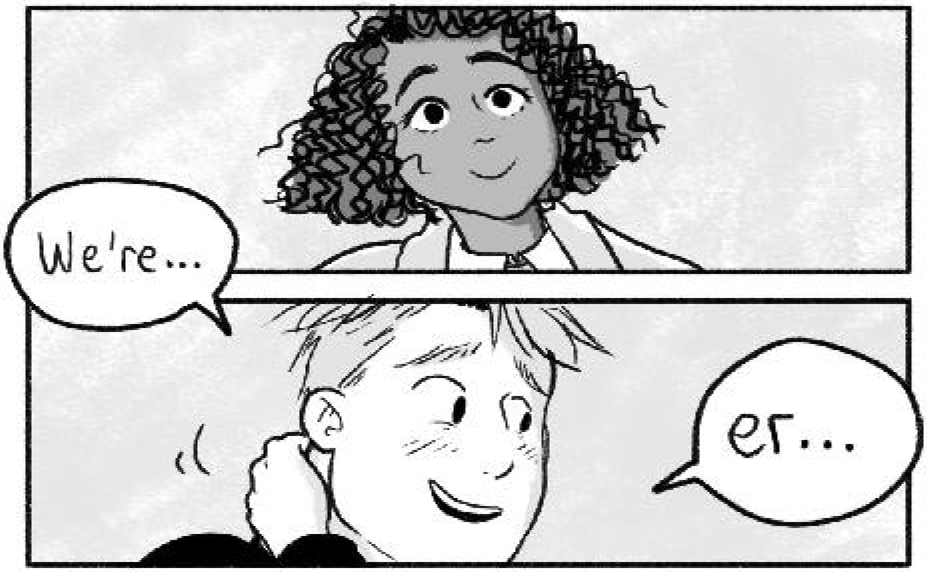
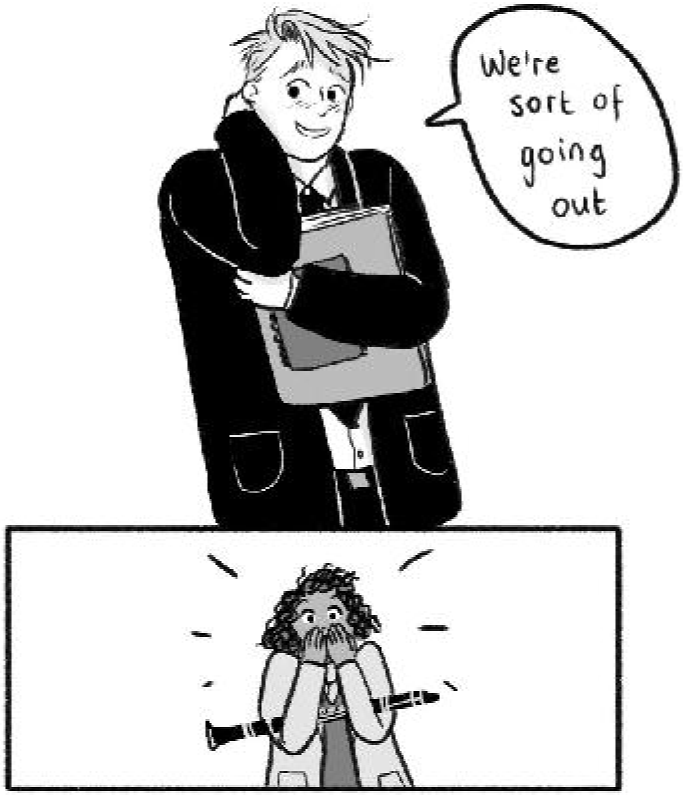
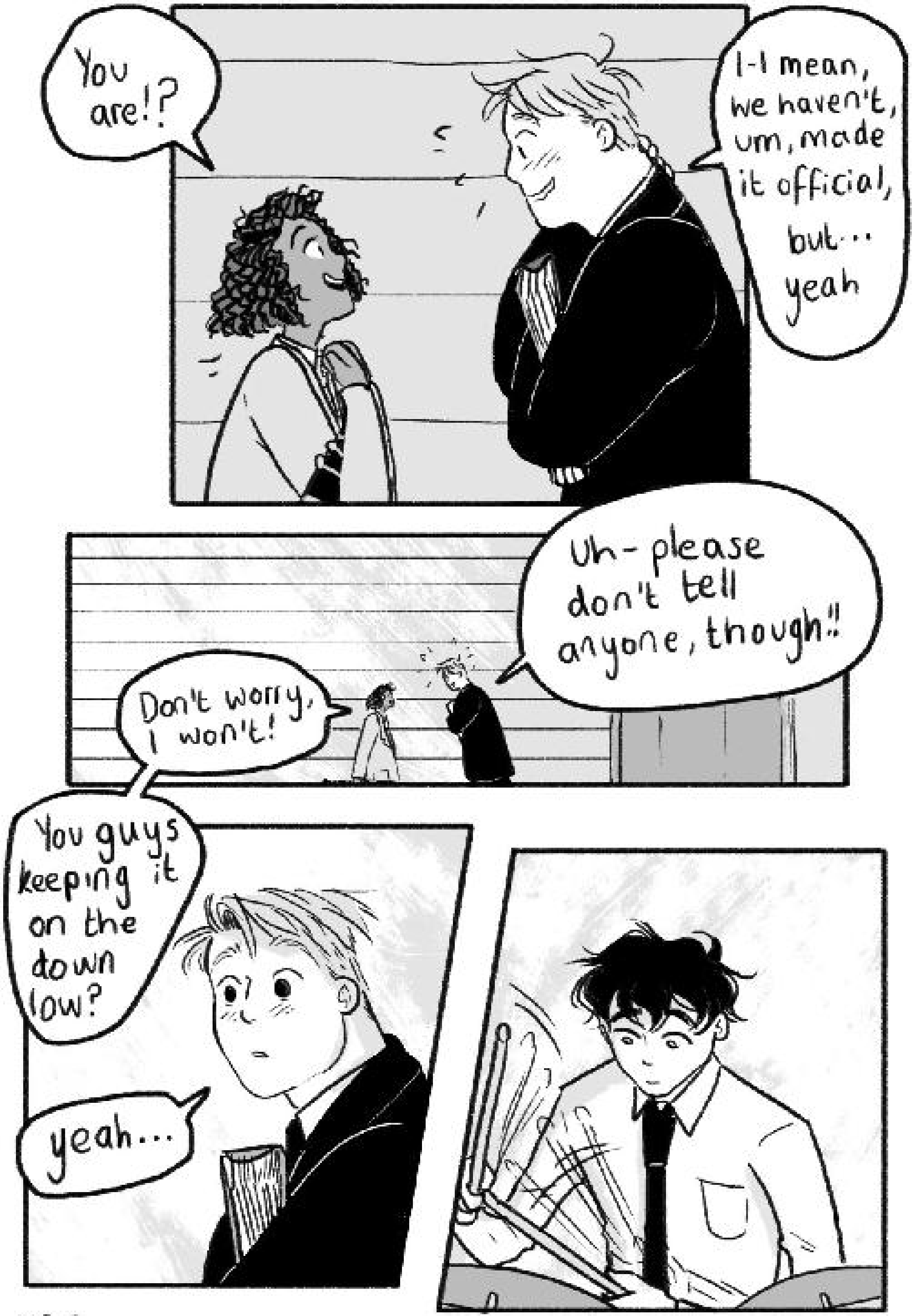

Tara!! You're in Higgs School orchestra?
Yep! I'm not that good but we get to play film music so it's pretty fun

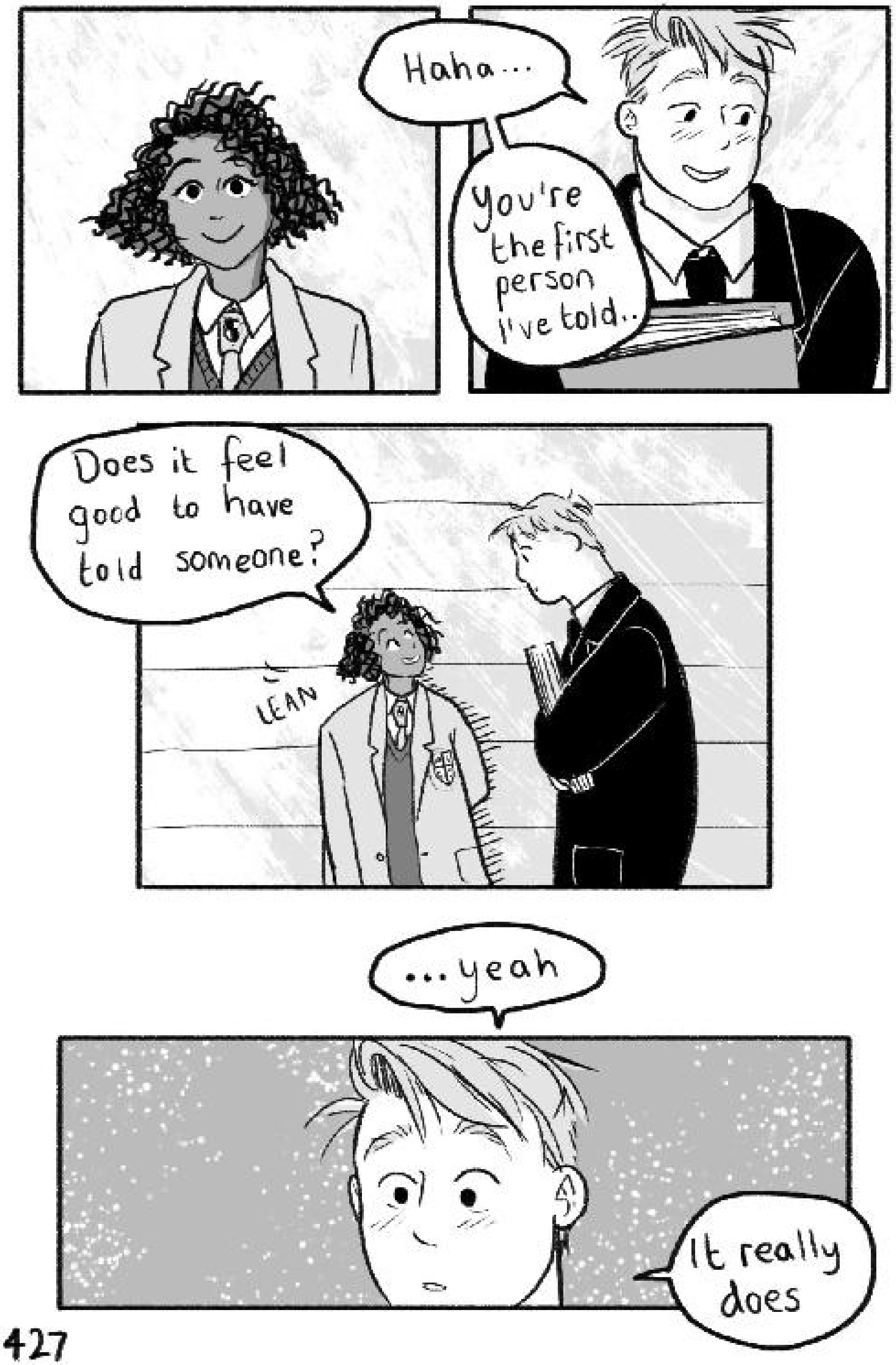

You and Charlie Spring still getting along well, then?
We need a simple 4/4 rock beat, okay?
Okay

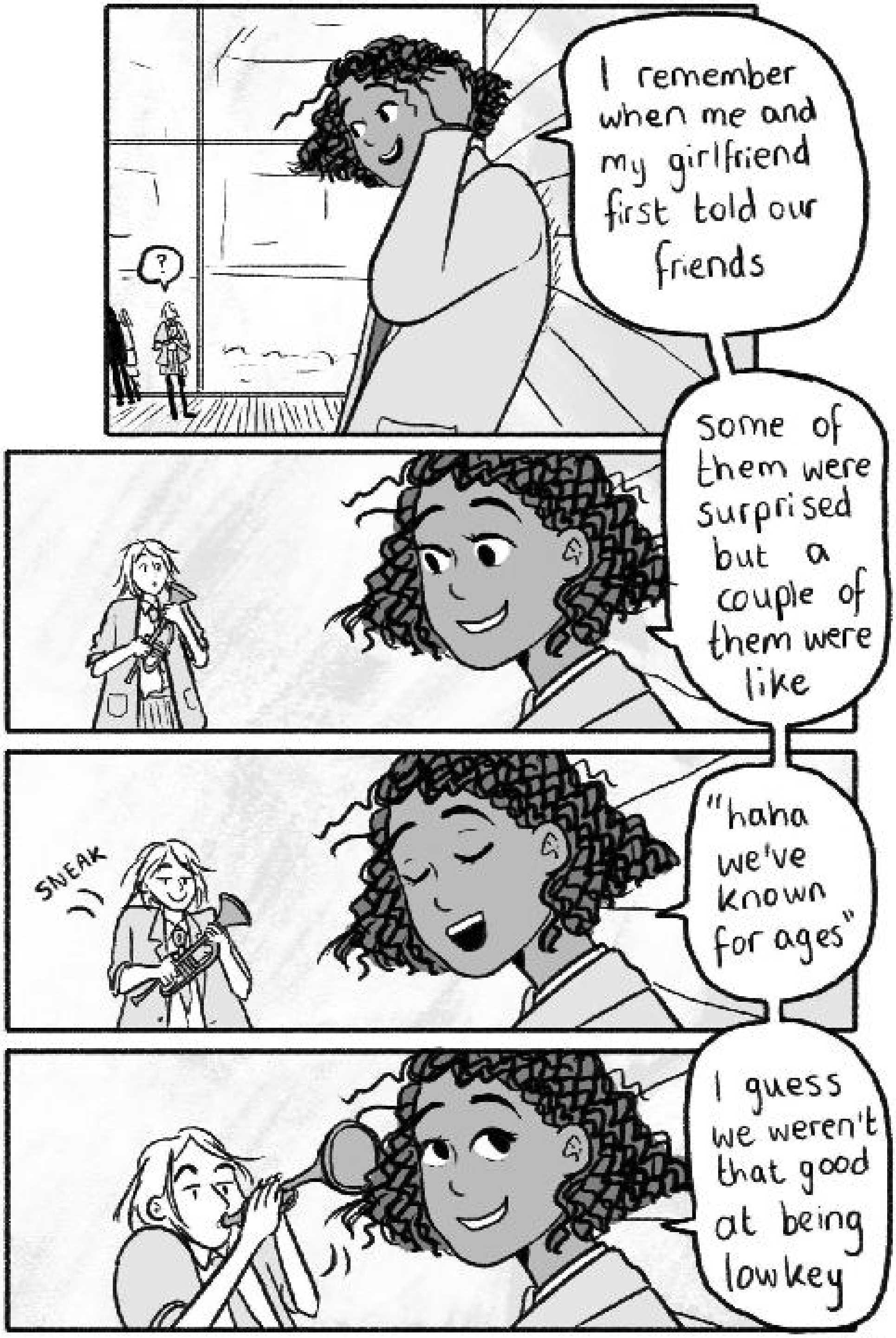

Oh- y-yeah, yeah
...
-I'm gay
actually... well...
Nick Nelson 11H

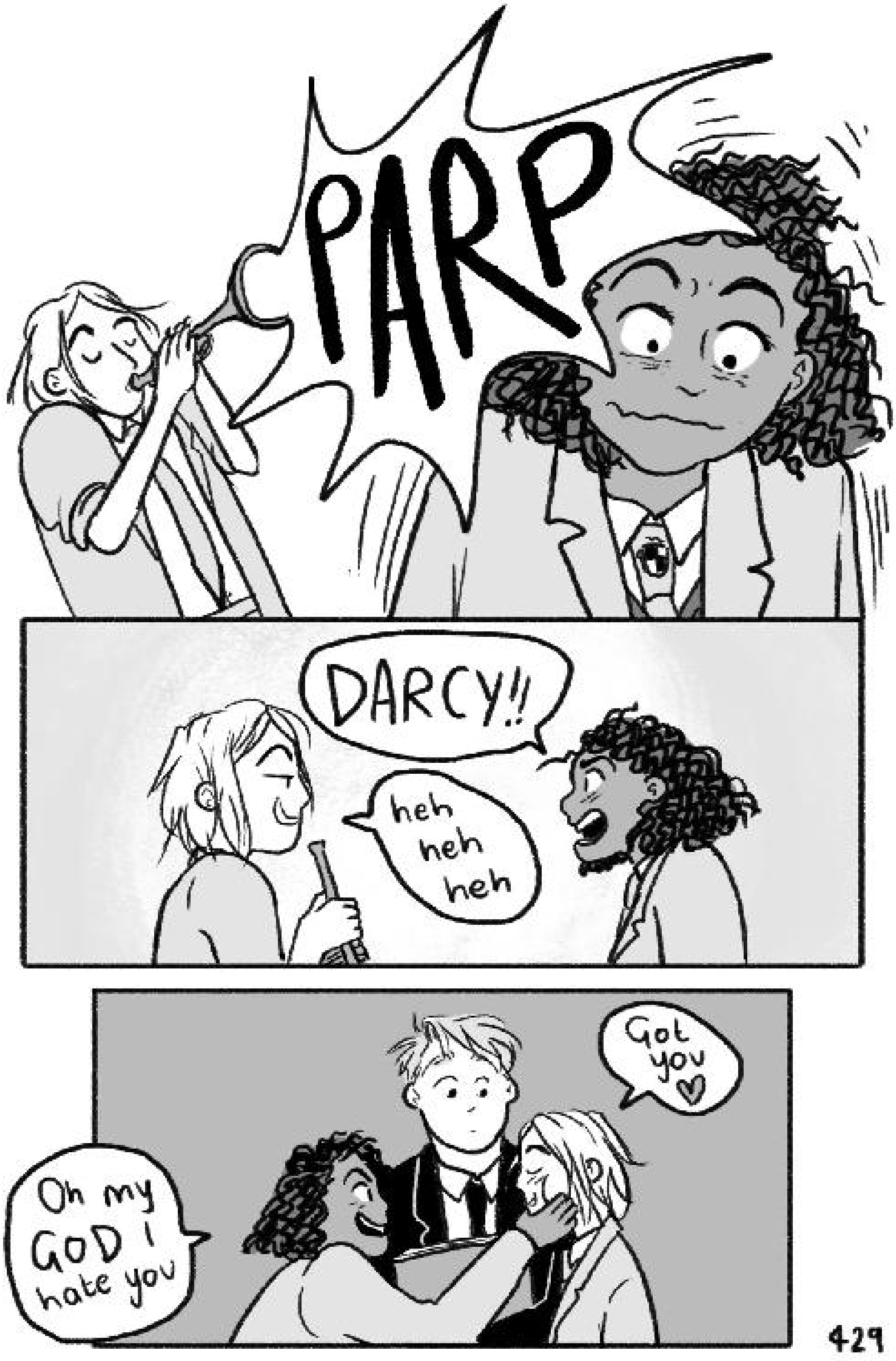

We're...
er...

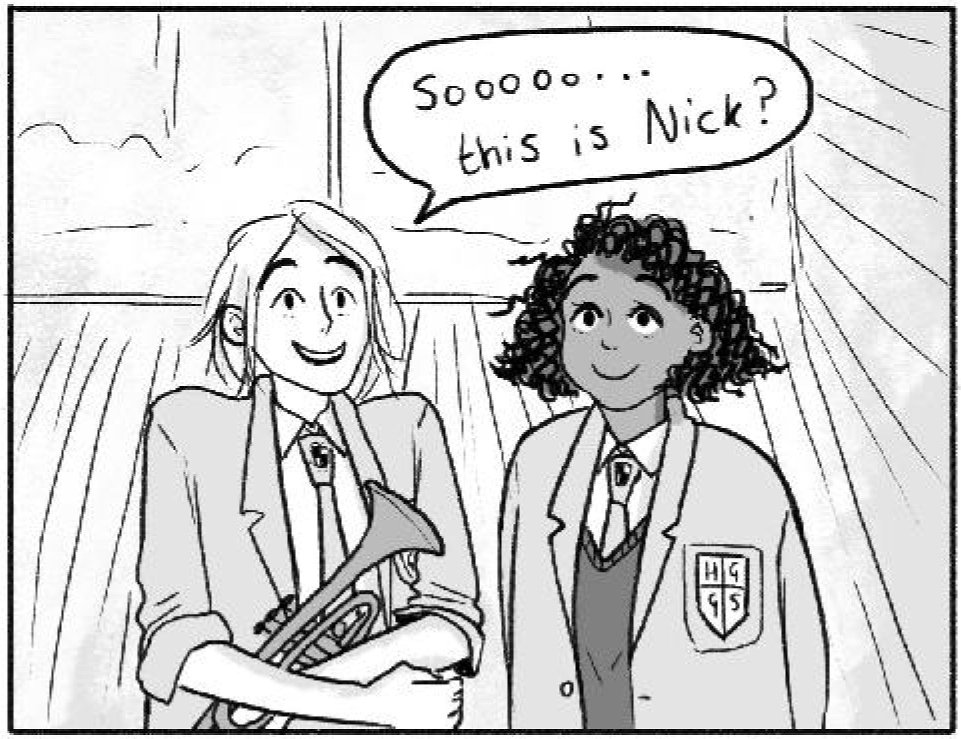

We're sort of going out

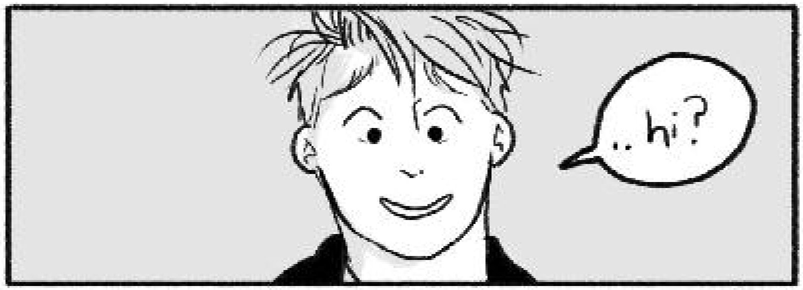

You are!?
I-I mean, we haven't, um, made it official, but... yeah
Uh- please don't tell anyone, though!!
Don't worry, I won't!
You guys keeping it on the down low?
yeah...

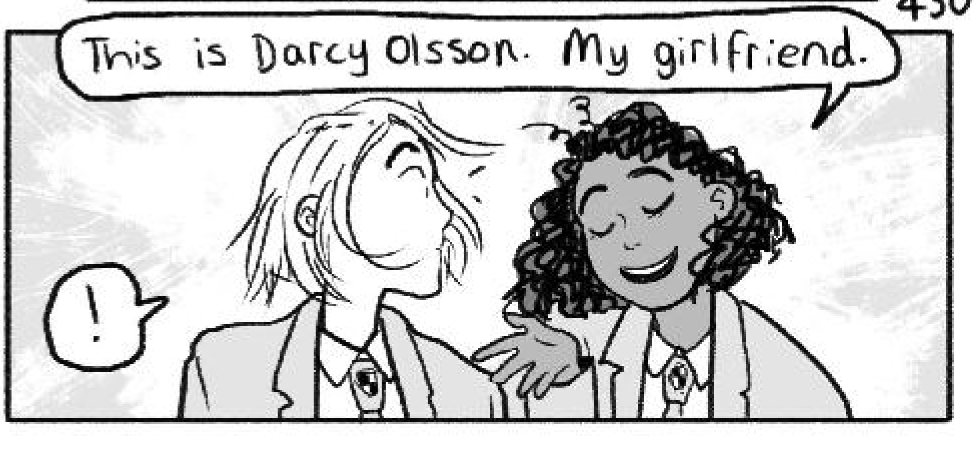

Haha...
You're the first person I've told..
Does it feel good to have told someone?
LEAN
...yeah
It really does

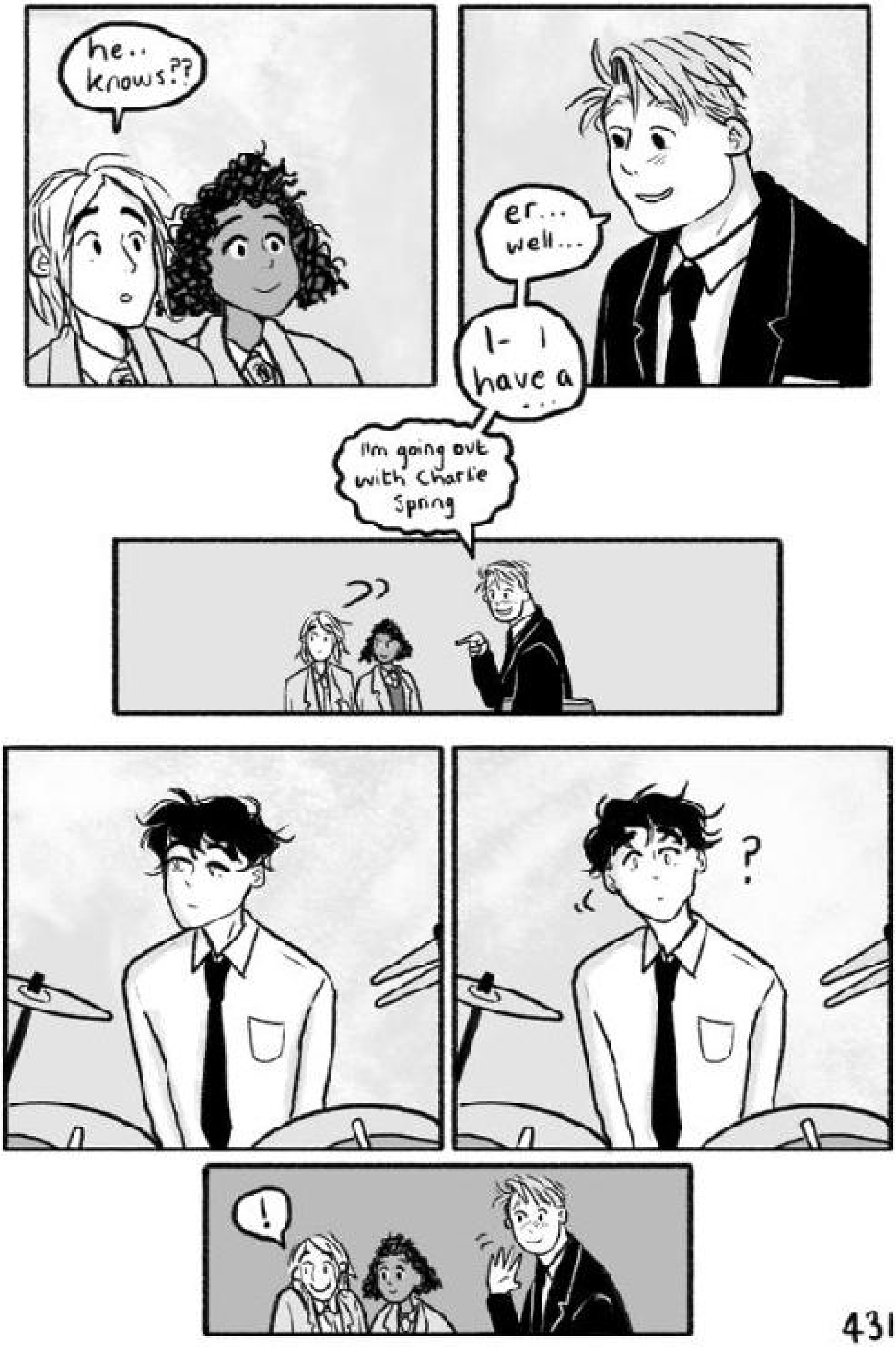

I remember when me and my girlfriend first told our friends
?
Some of them were surprised but a couple of them were like
"haha we've known for ages"
SNEAK
I guess we weren't that good at being lowkey

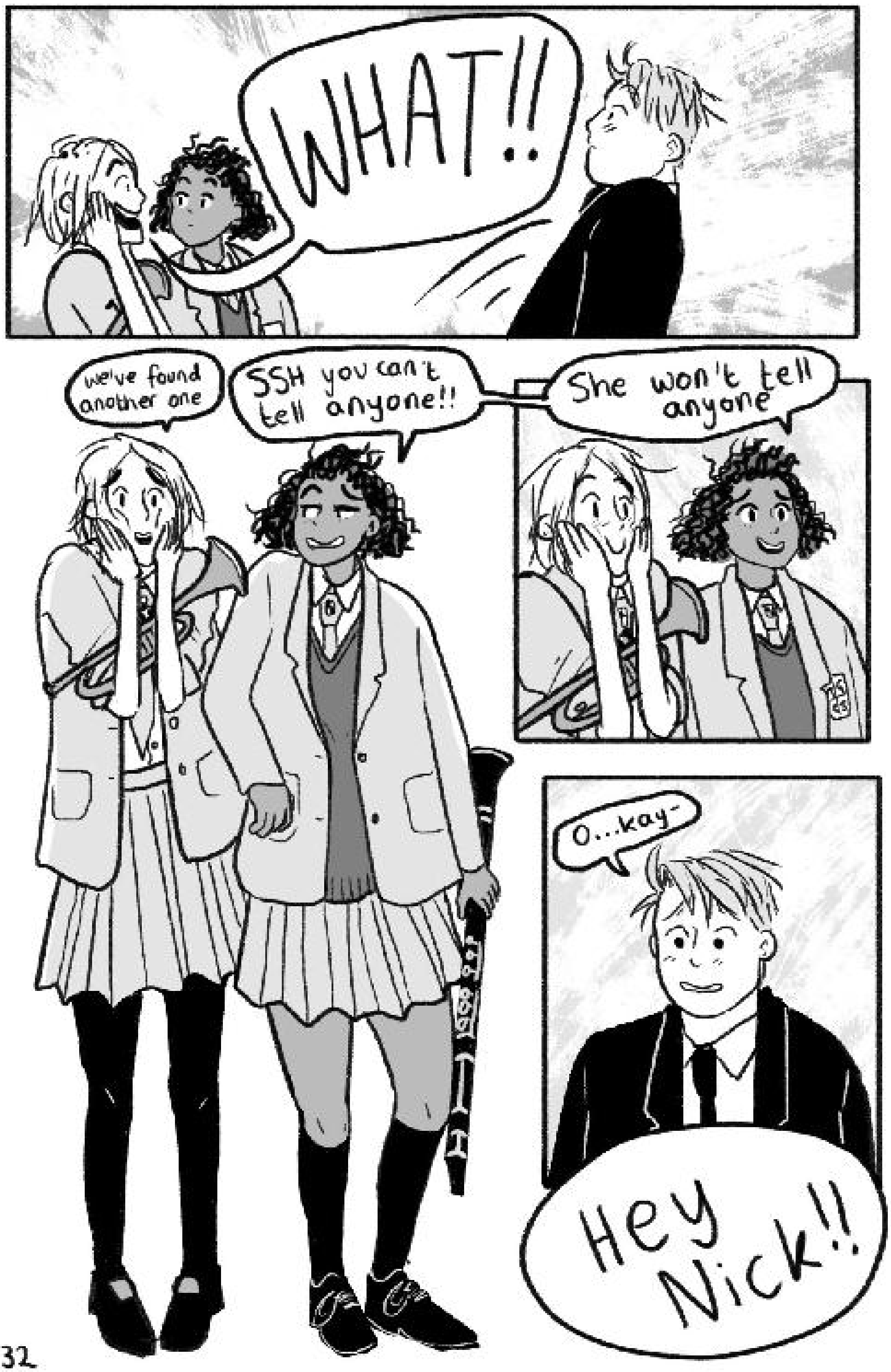

PARP
DARCY!!
heh heh heh
Got you ♥
Oh my GOD I hate you

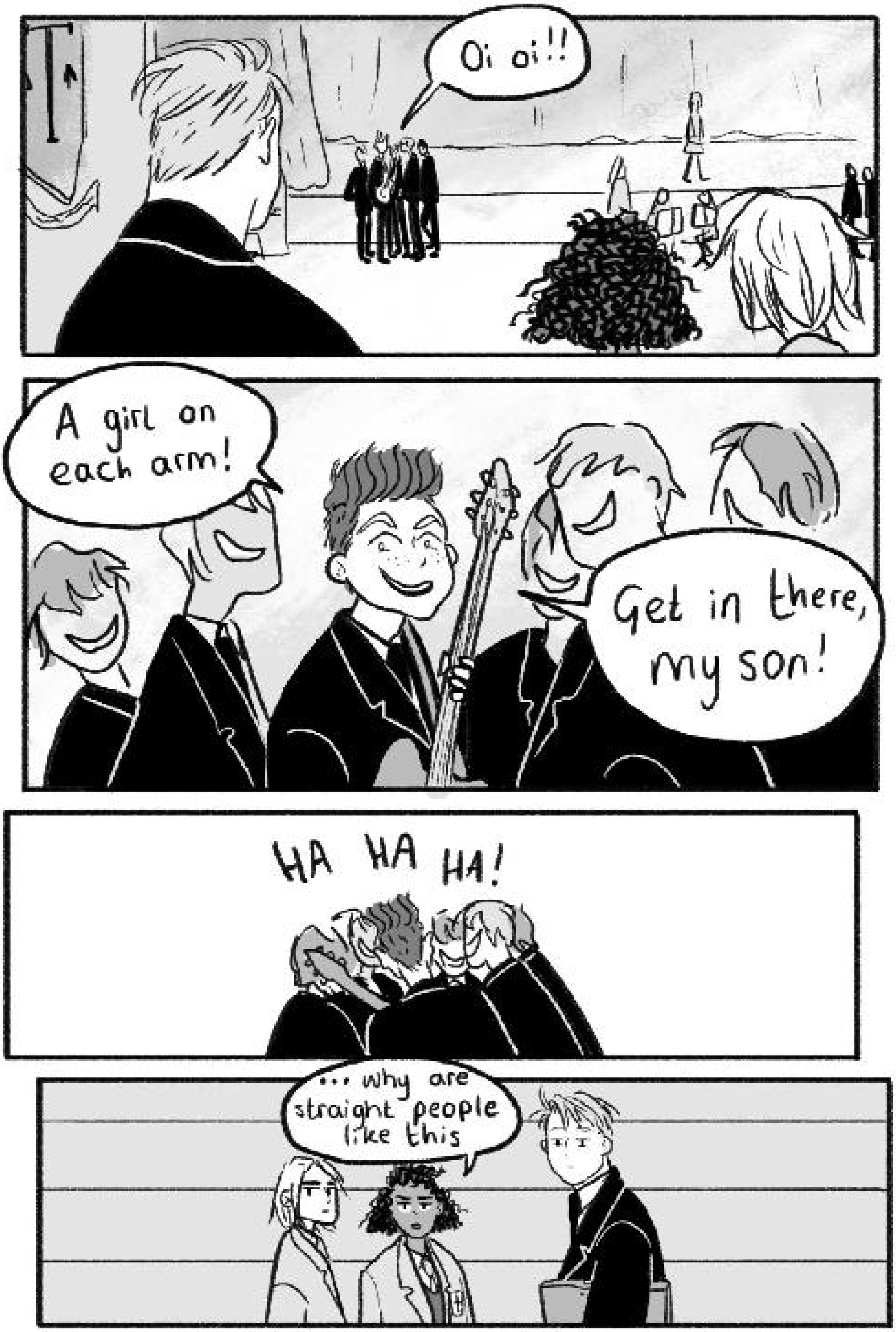

Sooooo...
this is Nick?
HG
GS

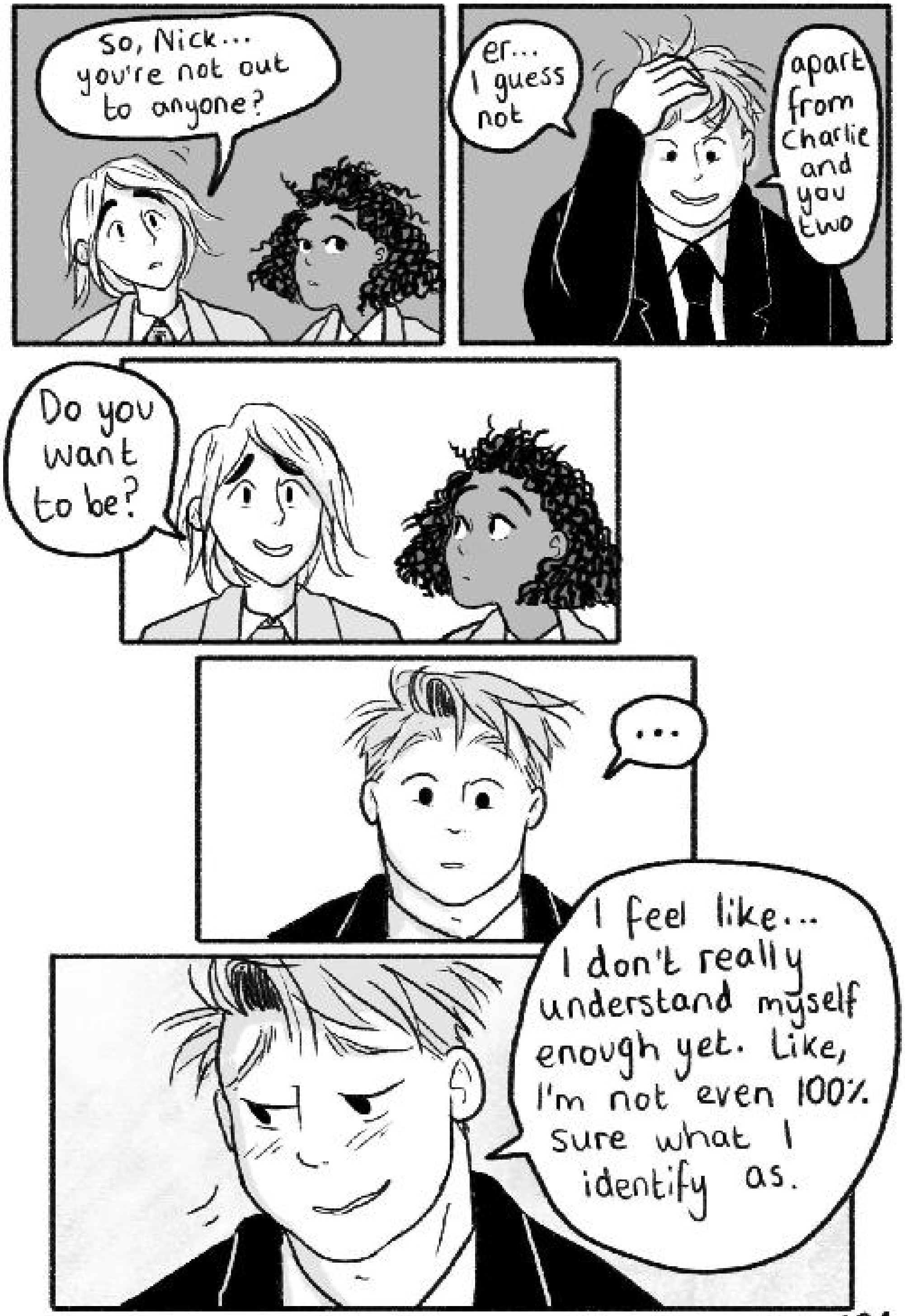

..hi?

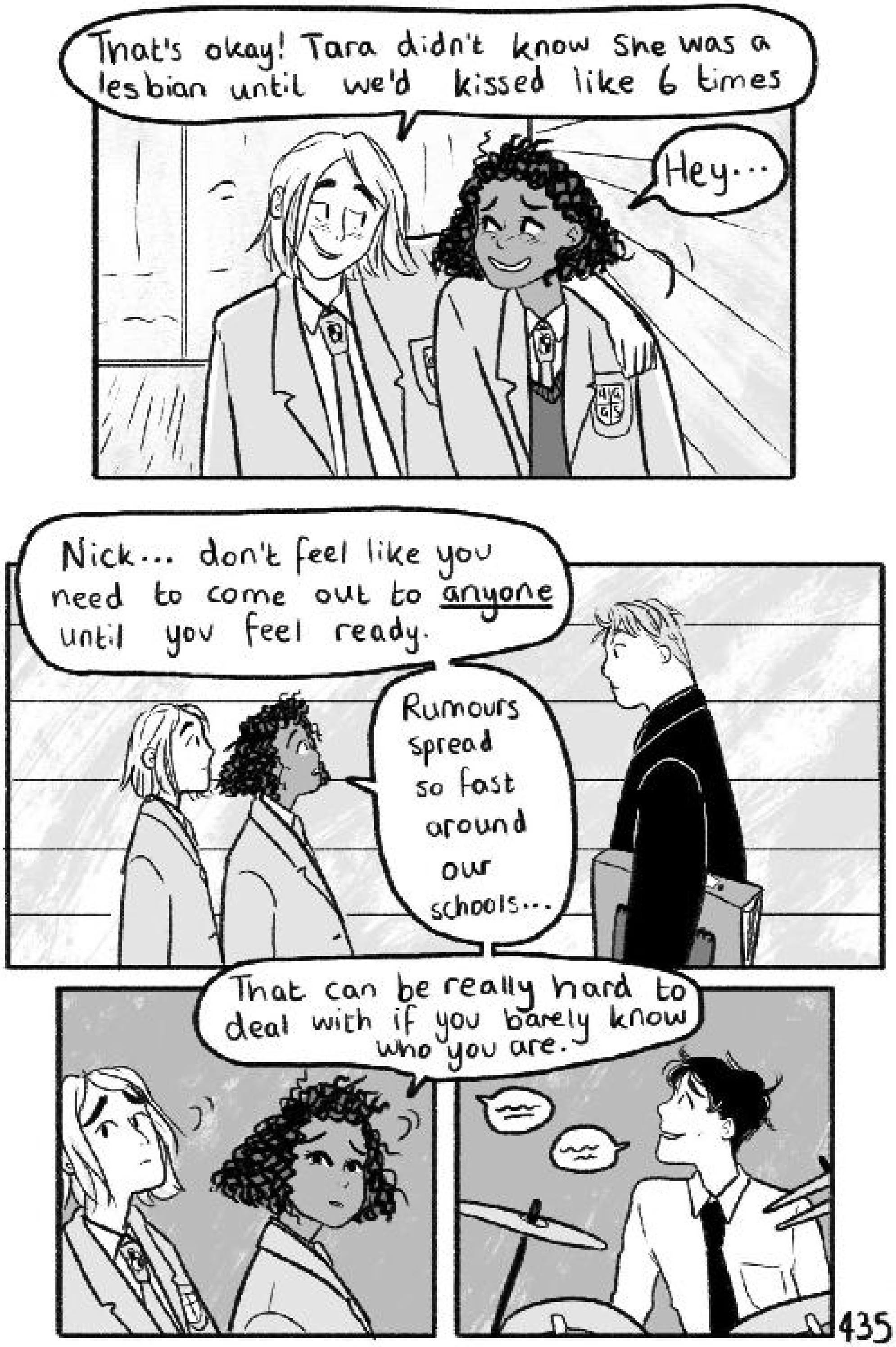

This is Darcy Olsson. My girlfriend.
!

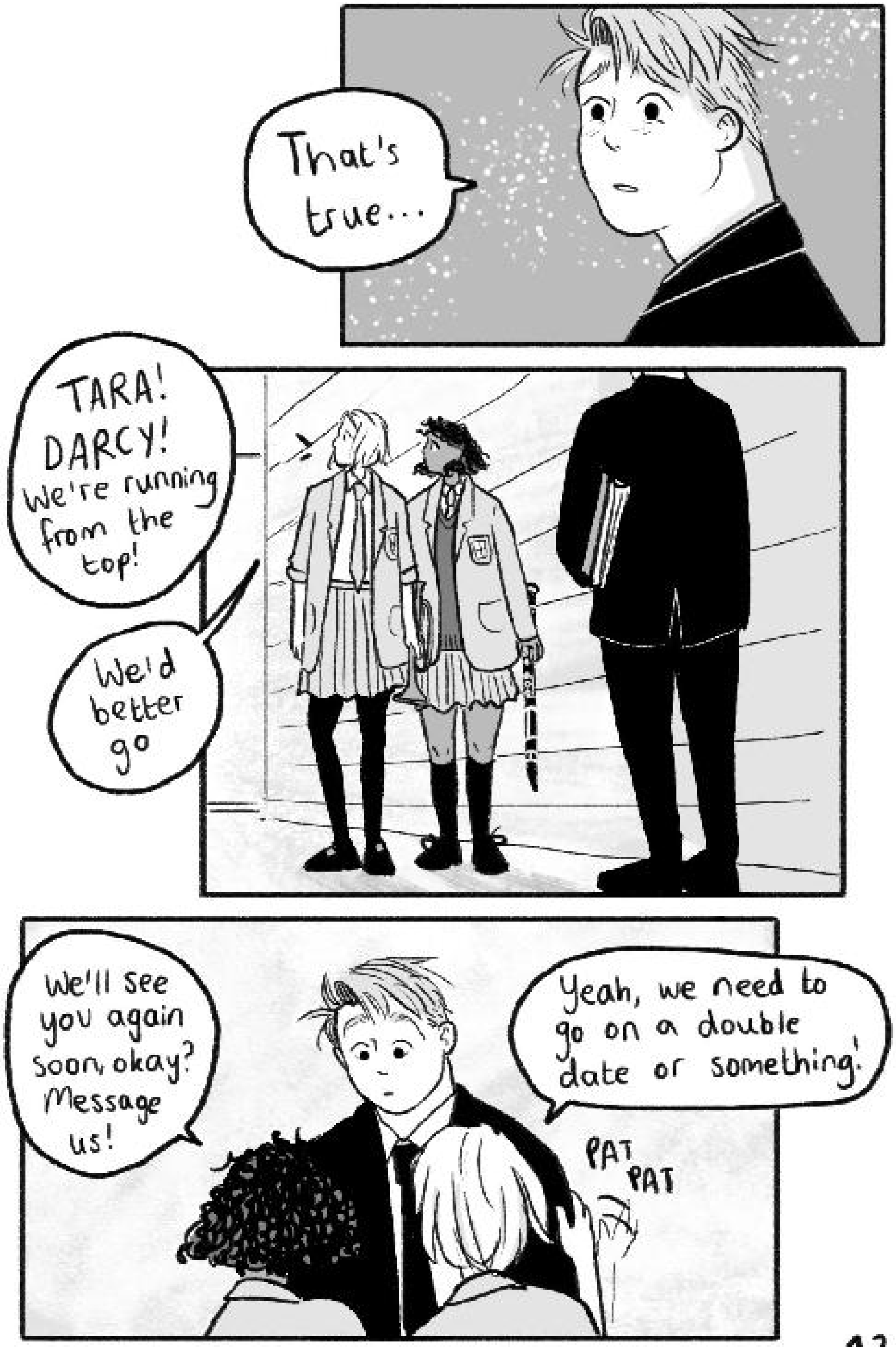

he.. knows??
er... well...
I- I have a ...
I'm going out with Charlie Spring
??
?
!

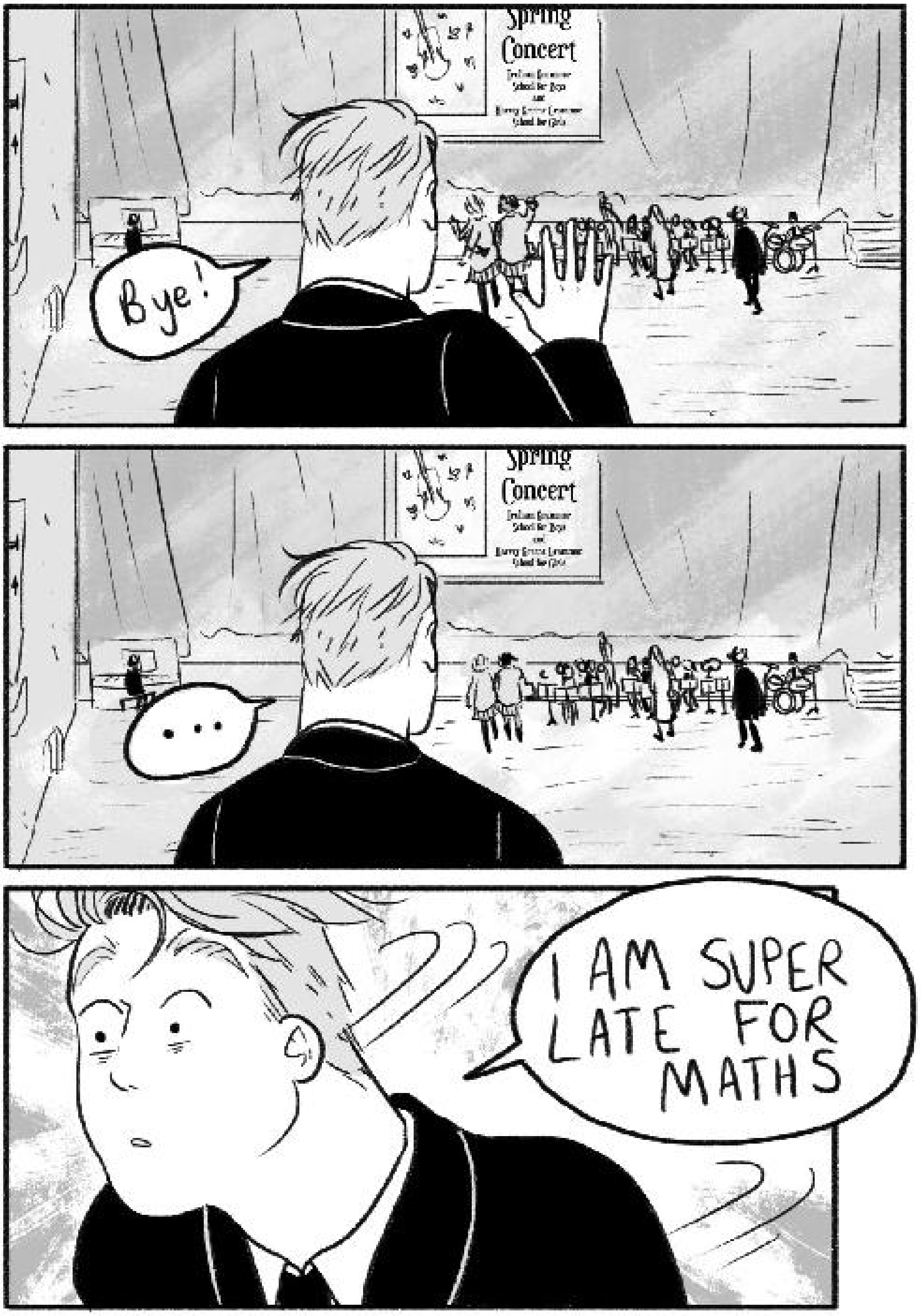

WHAT!!
we've found another one
SSH you can't tell anyone!!
She won't tell anyone
O...kay-
Hey Nick!!

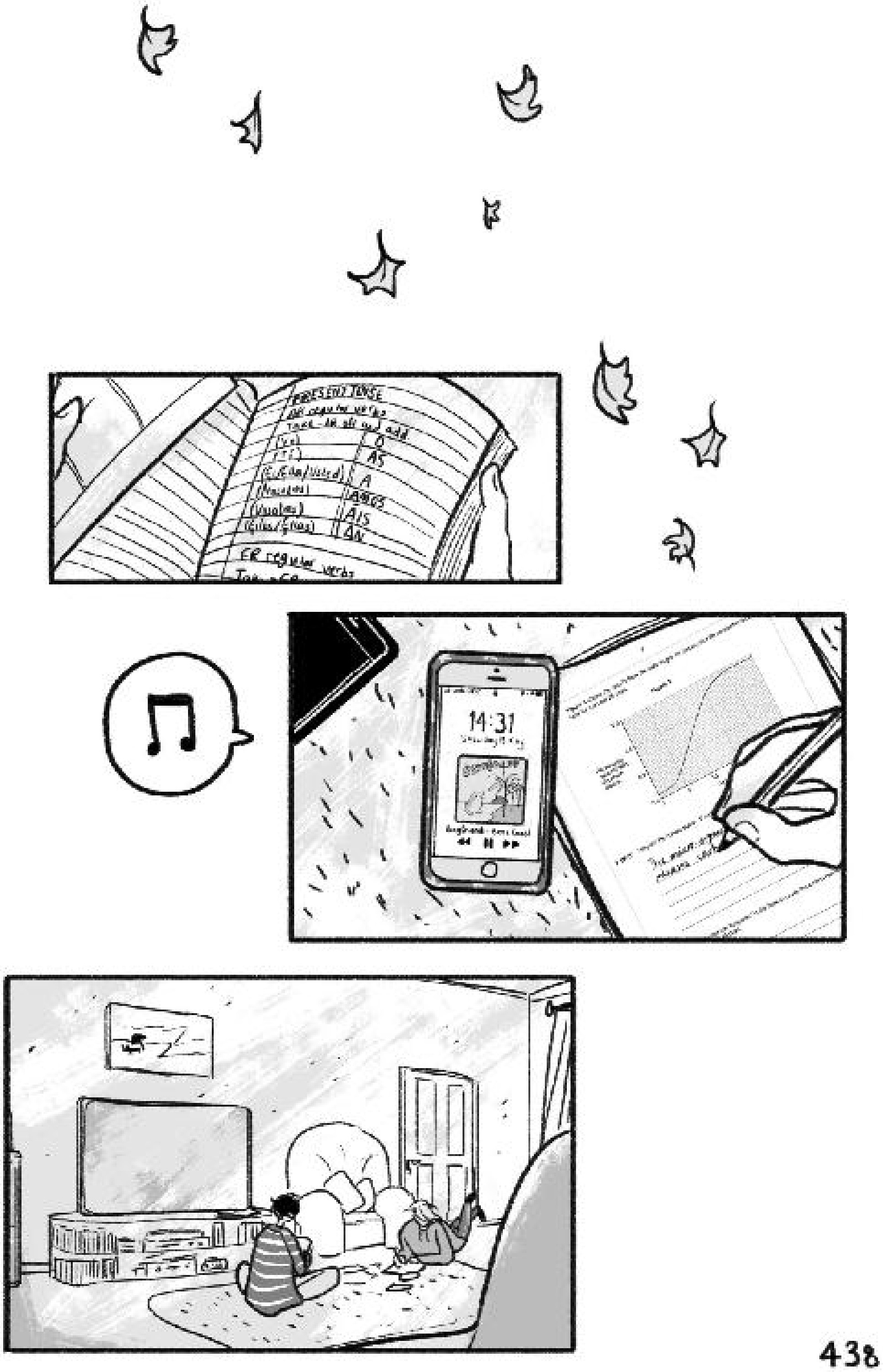

Oi oi!!
A girl on each arm!
Get in there, my son!
HA HA HA!
... why are straight people like this


So, Nick... you're not out to anyone?
er... I guess not
apart from Charlie and you two
Do you want to be?
...
I feel like... I don't really understand myself enough yet. Like, I'm not even 100% sure what I identify as.


That's okay! Tara didn't know she was a lesbian until we'd kissed like 6 times
Hey...
Nick... don't feel like you need to come out to anyone until you feel ready.
Rumours spread so fast around our schools...
That can be really hard to deal with if you barely know who you are.


That's true...
TARA! DARCY! We're running from the top!
We'd better go
We'll see you again soon, okay? Message us!
Yeah, we need to go on a double date or something!
PAT PAT


Spring Concert
Bye!
Spring Concert
...
I AM SUPER LATE FOR MATHS


PRESENT TENSE
AR regular verbs
Take -AR off and add
(Yo) O
(Tú) AS
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(Nosotros) AMOS
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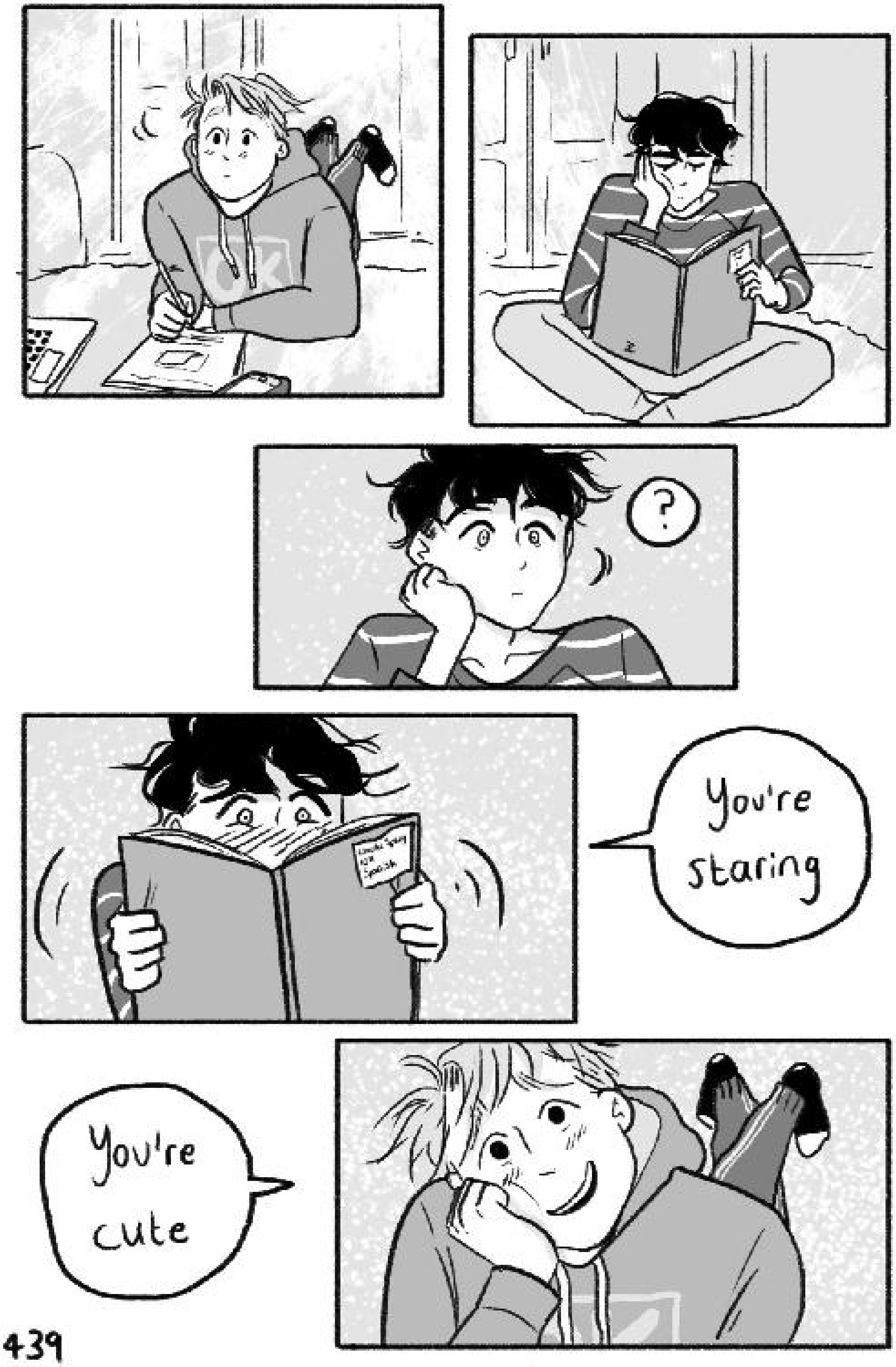
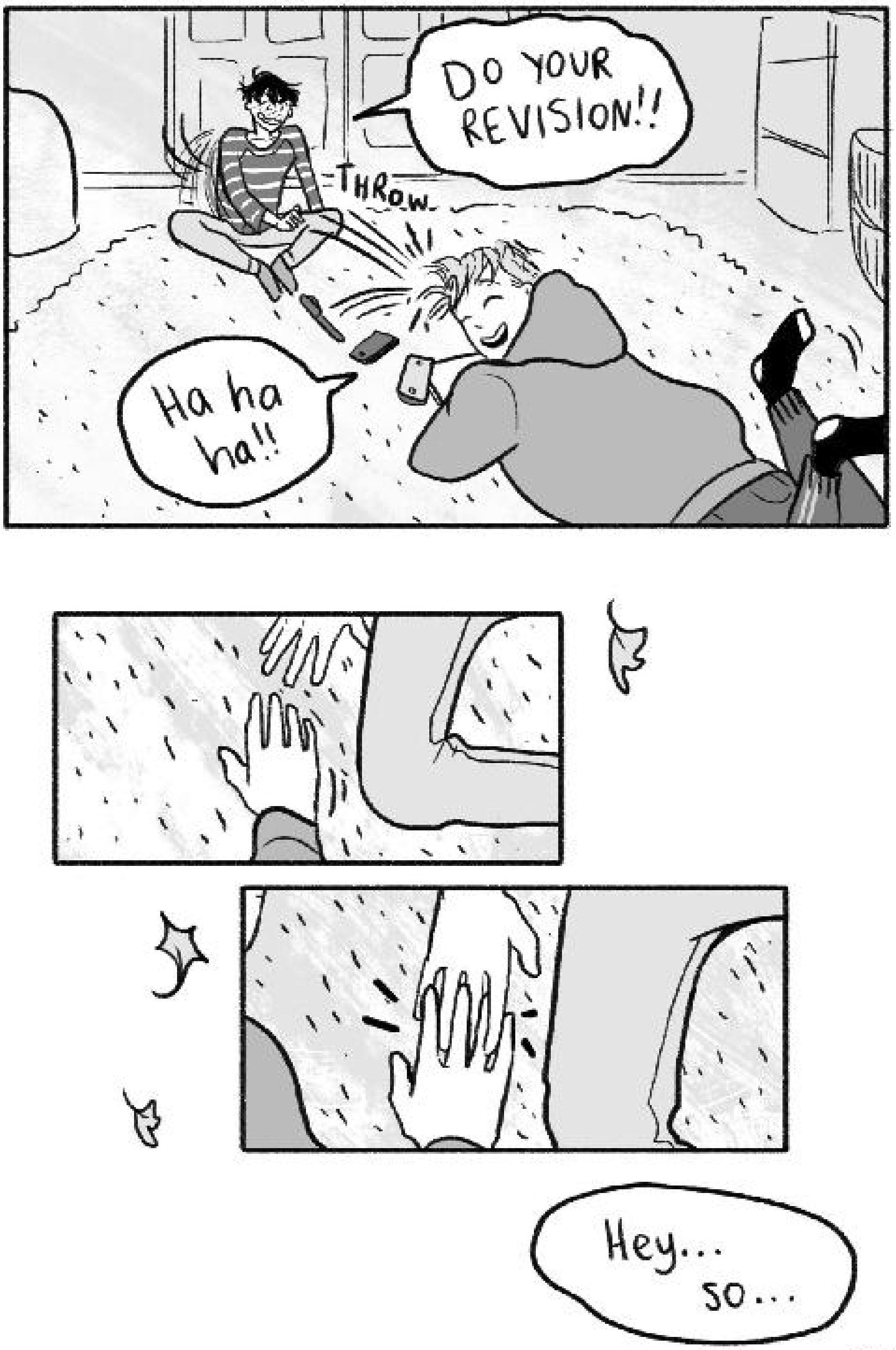
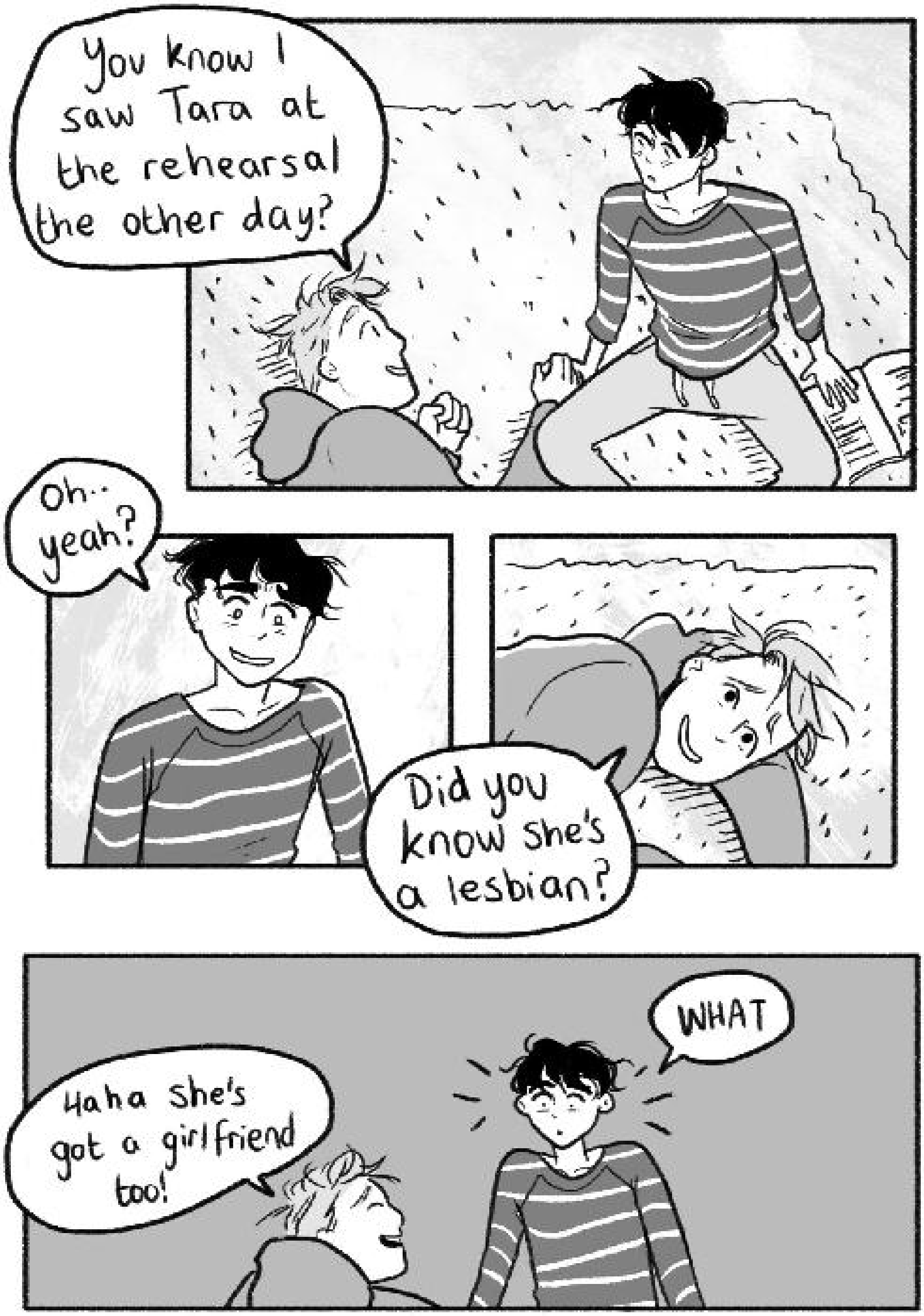
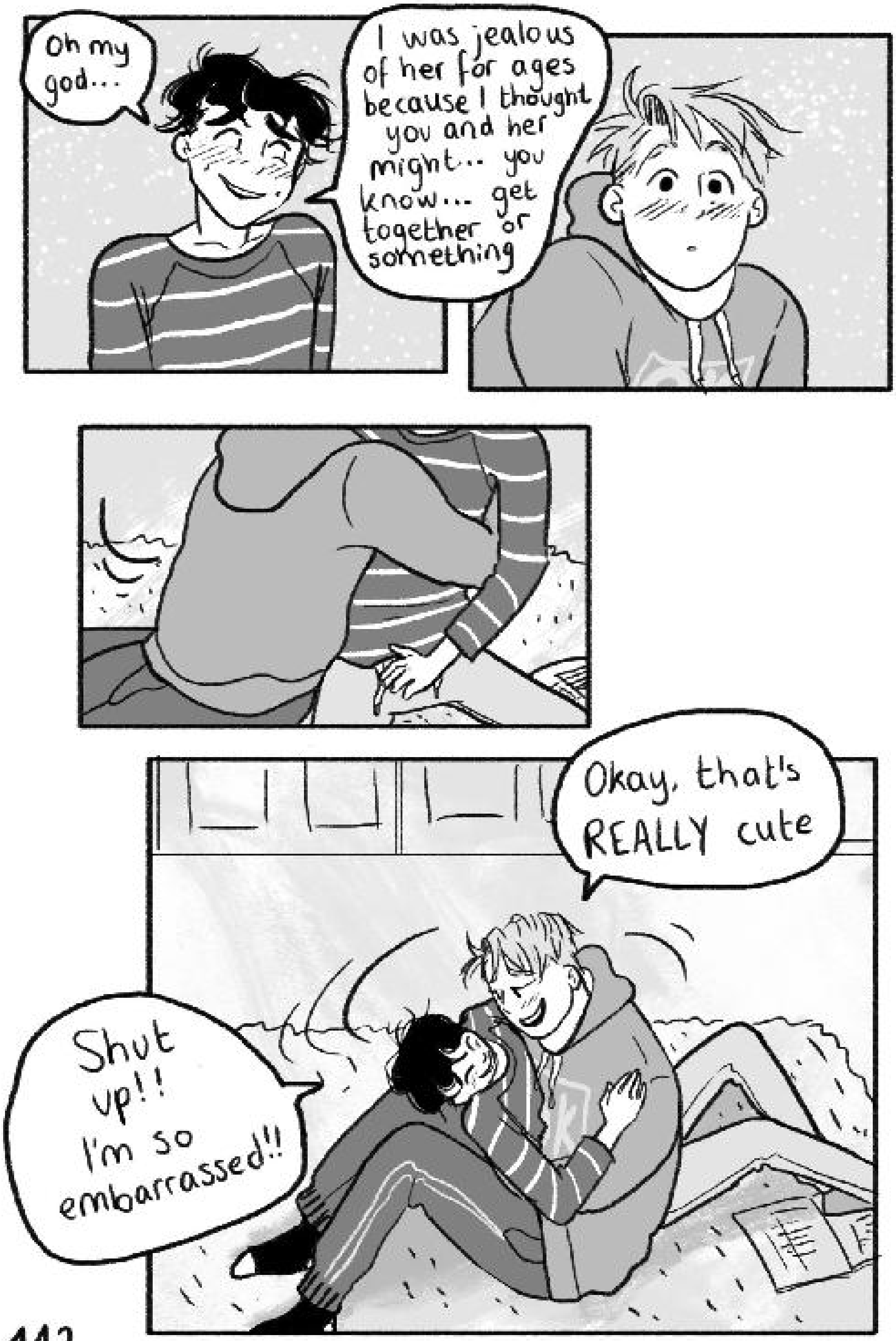
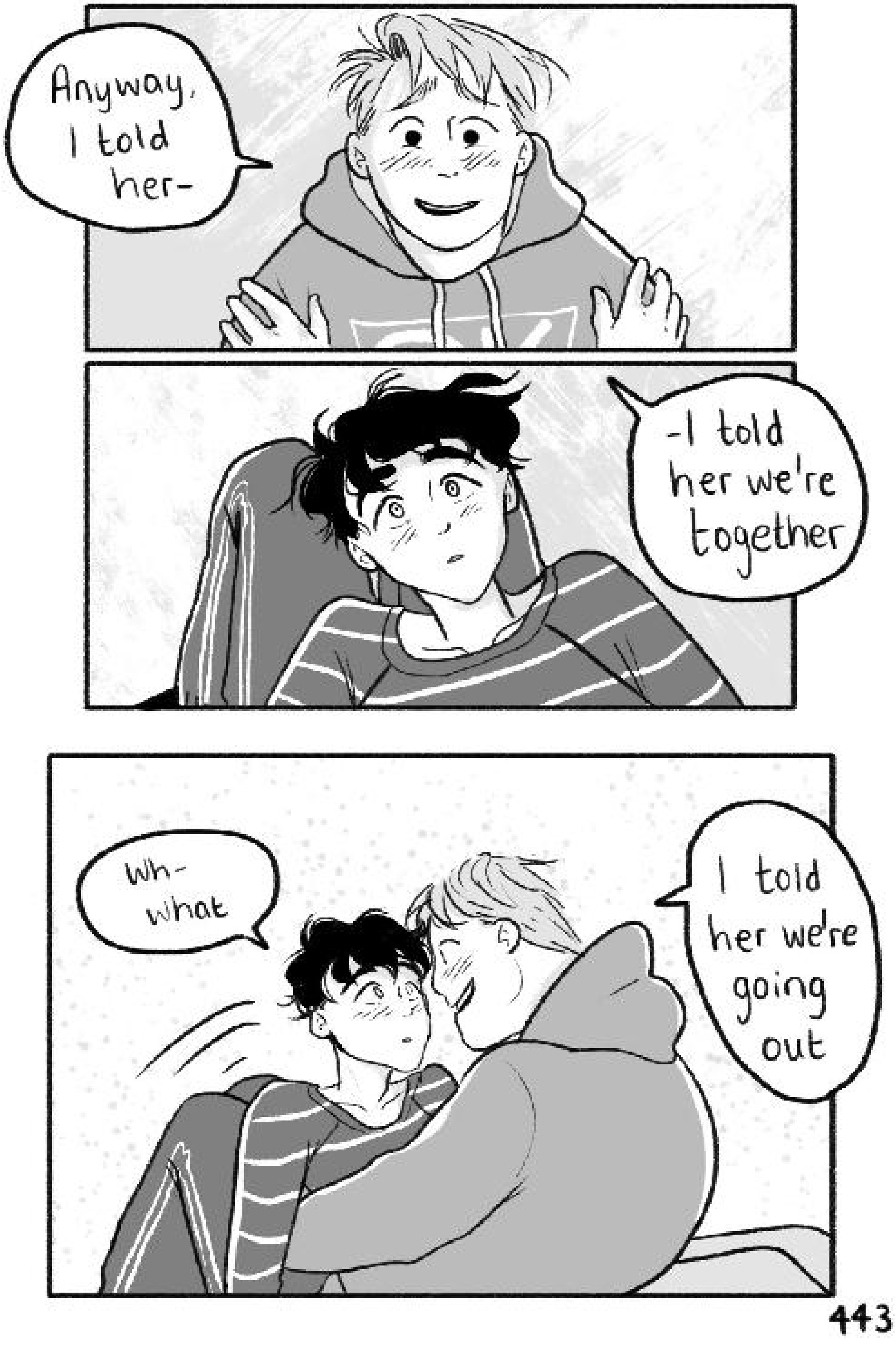
(Ellos/Ellas) AN
ER regular verbs
♫
14:31

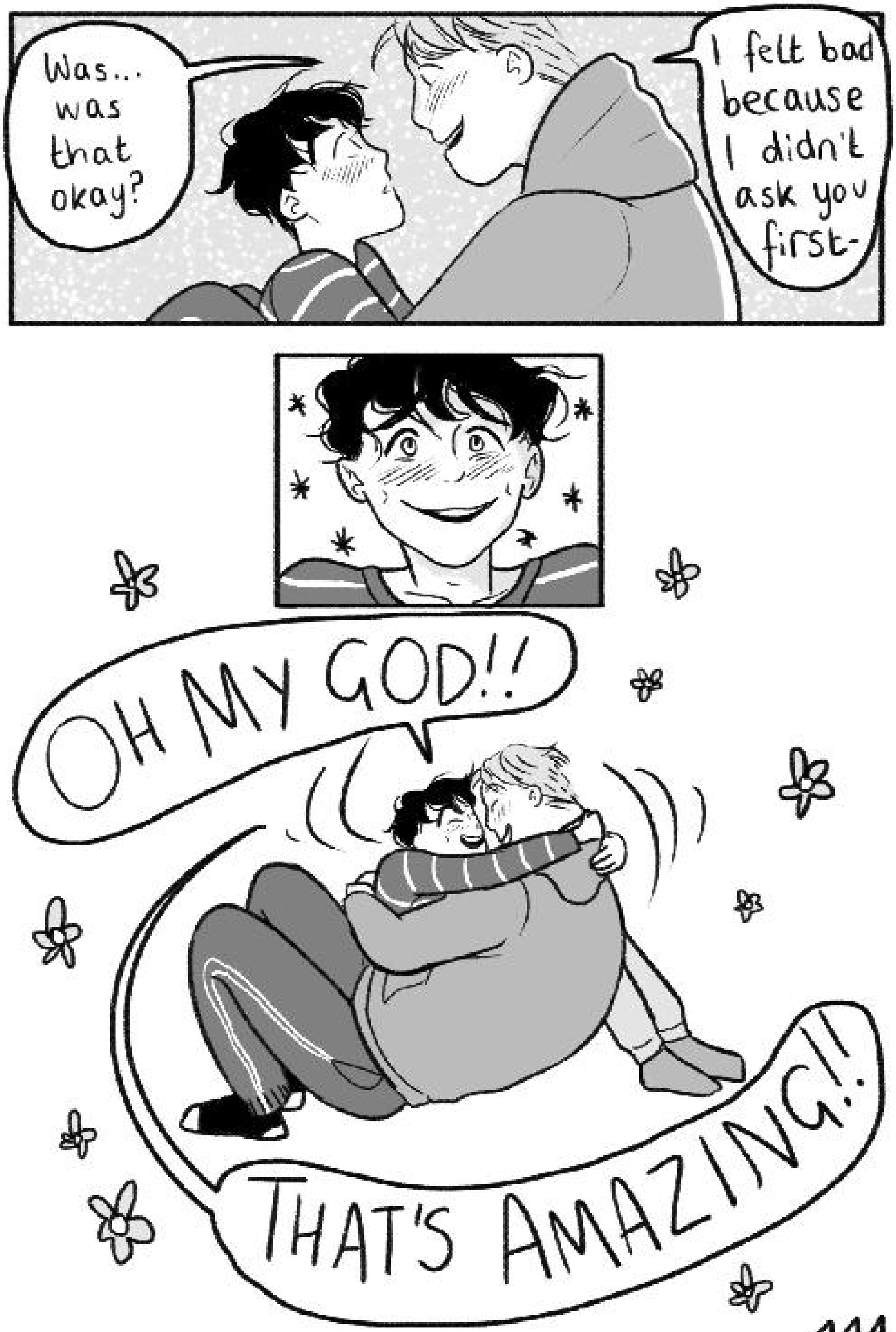

?
You're staring
You're cute

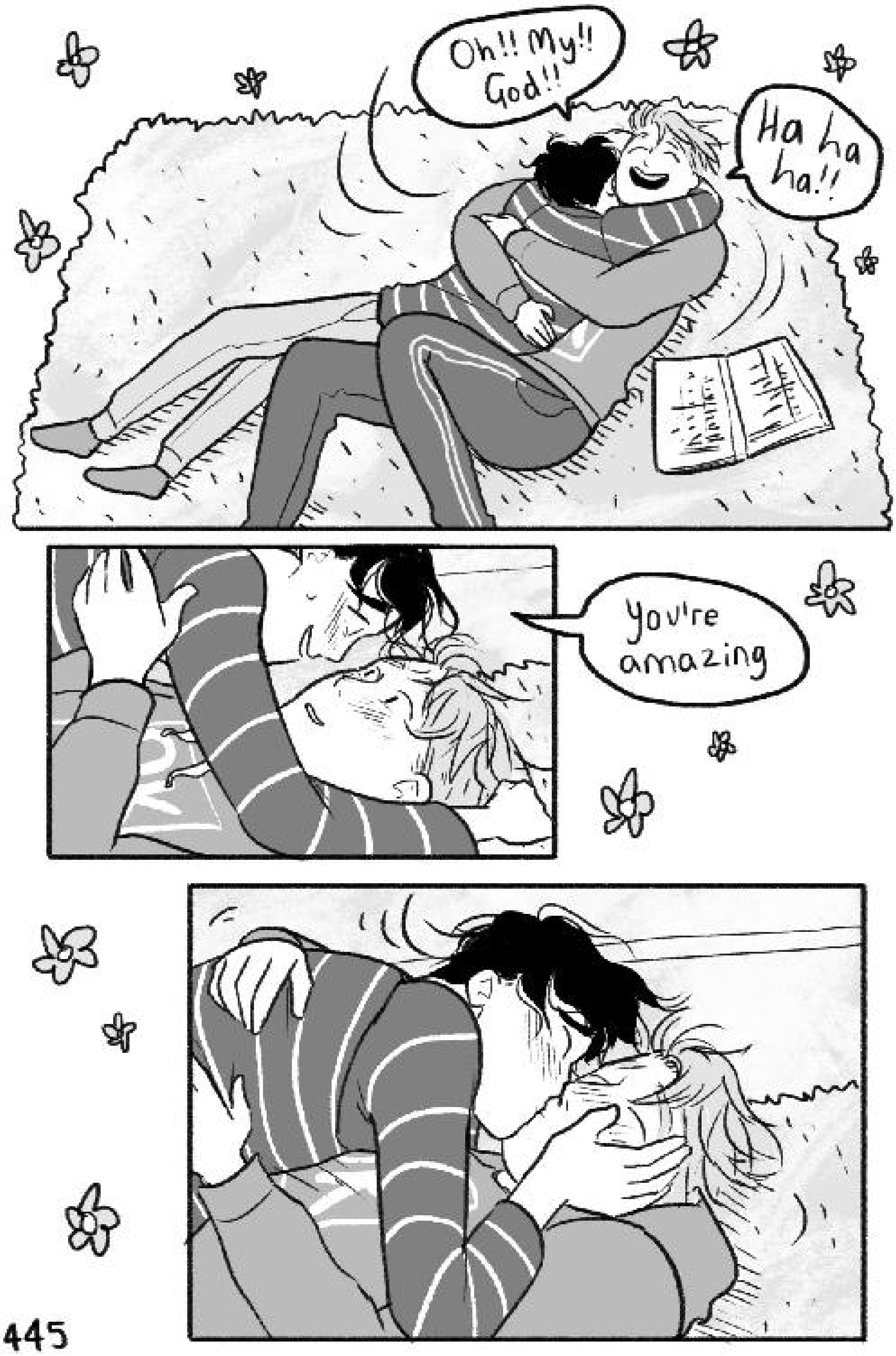

DO YOUR REVISION!!
THROW
Ha ha ha!!
Hey... so...

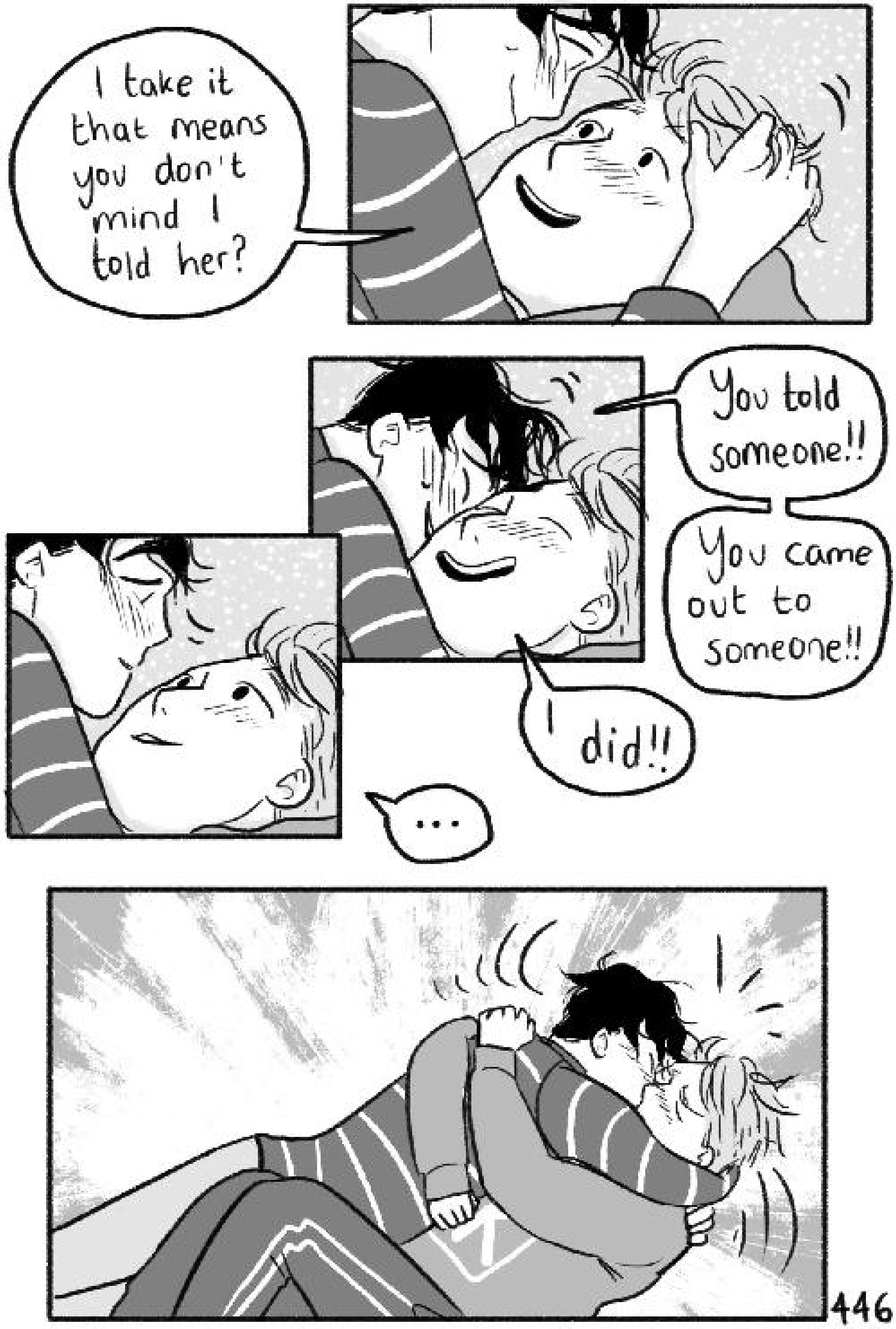

You know I saw Tara at the rehearsal the other day?
Oh.. yeah?
Did you know she's a lesbian?
WHAT
Haha she's got a girlfriend too!

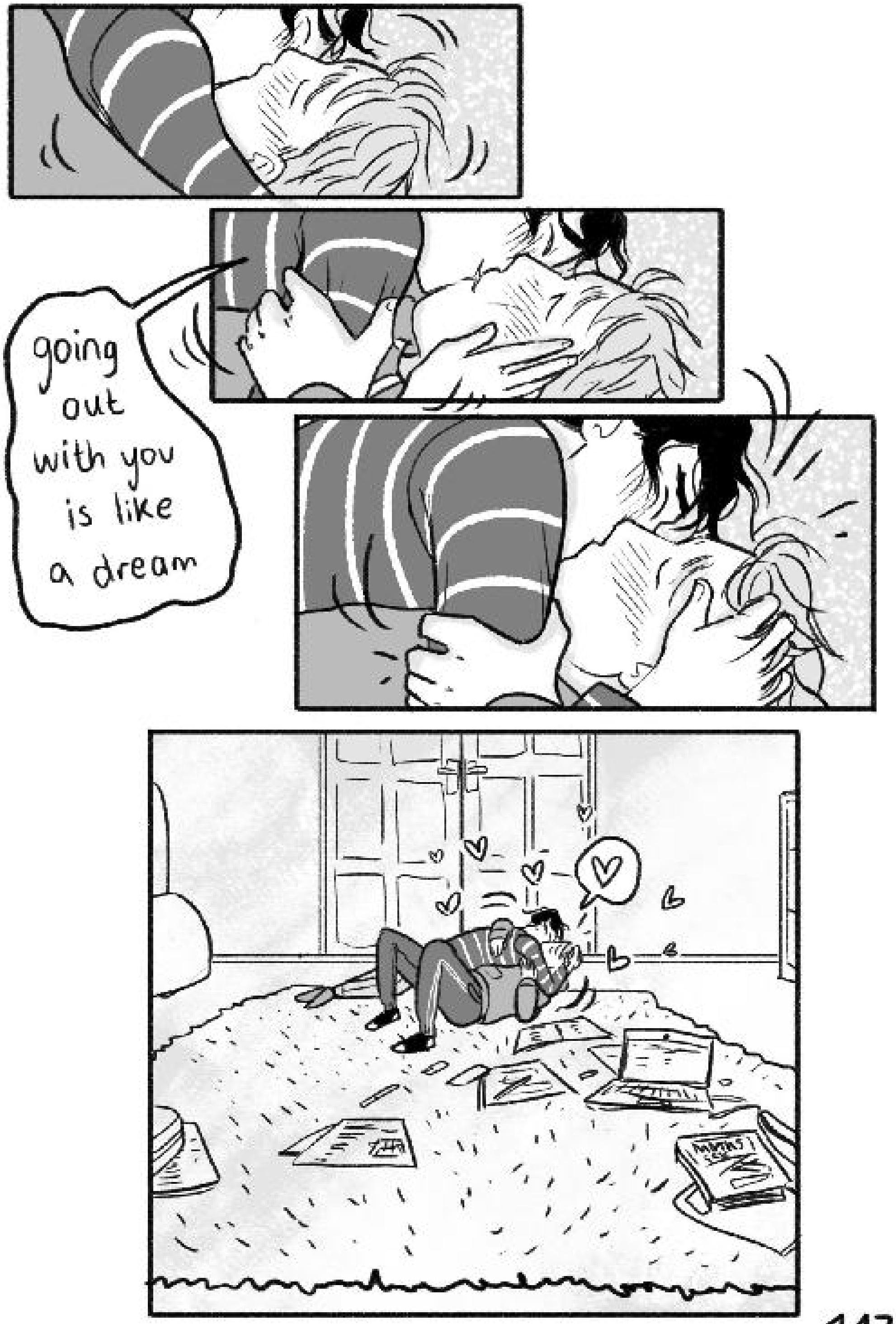

Oh my god...
I was jealous of her for ages because I thought you and her might... you know... get together or something
Okay, that's REALLY cute
Shut up!! I'm so embarrassed!!

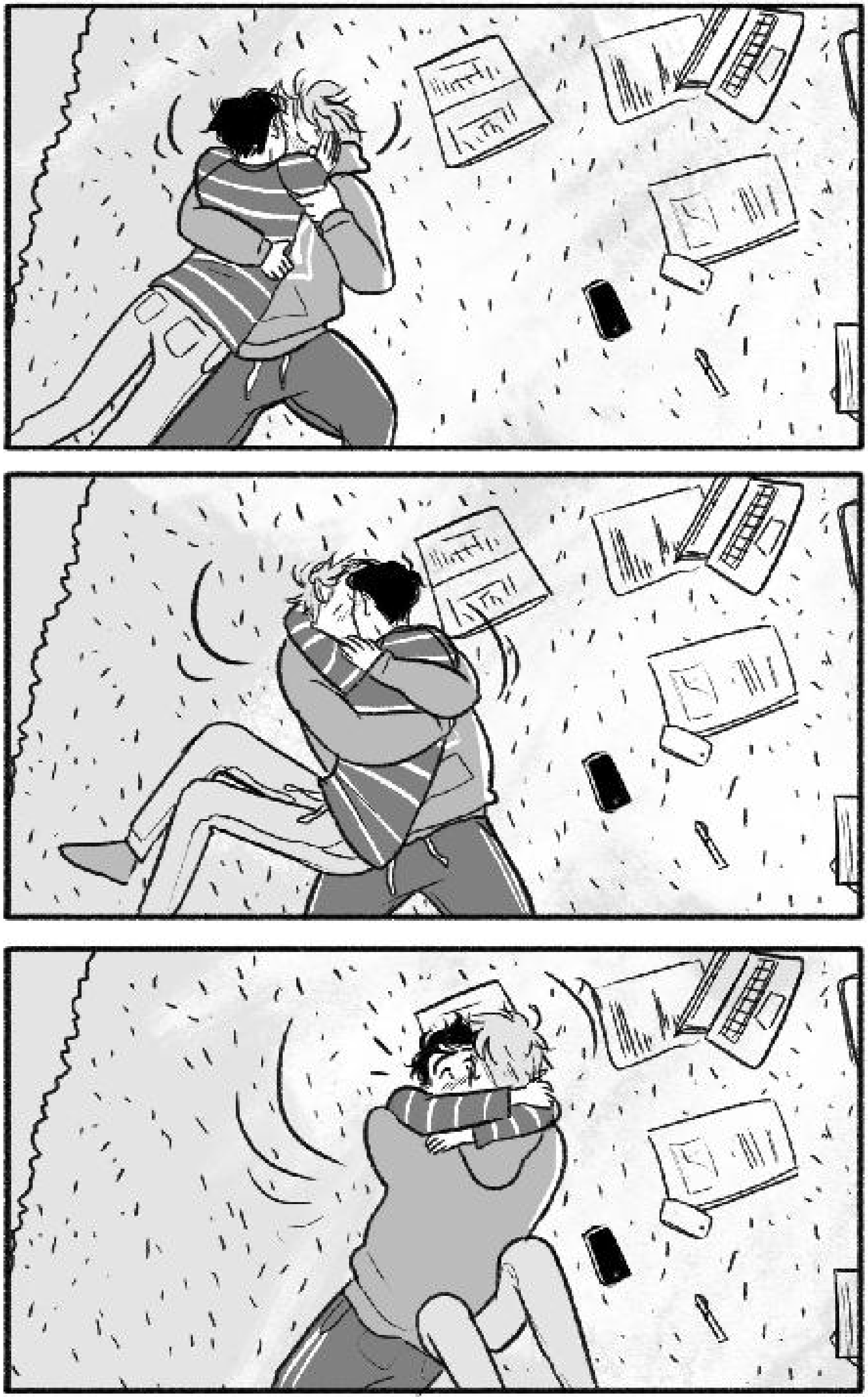

Anyway, I told her-
-I told her we're together
Wh- what
I told her we're going out

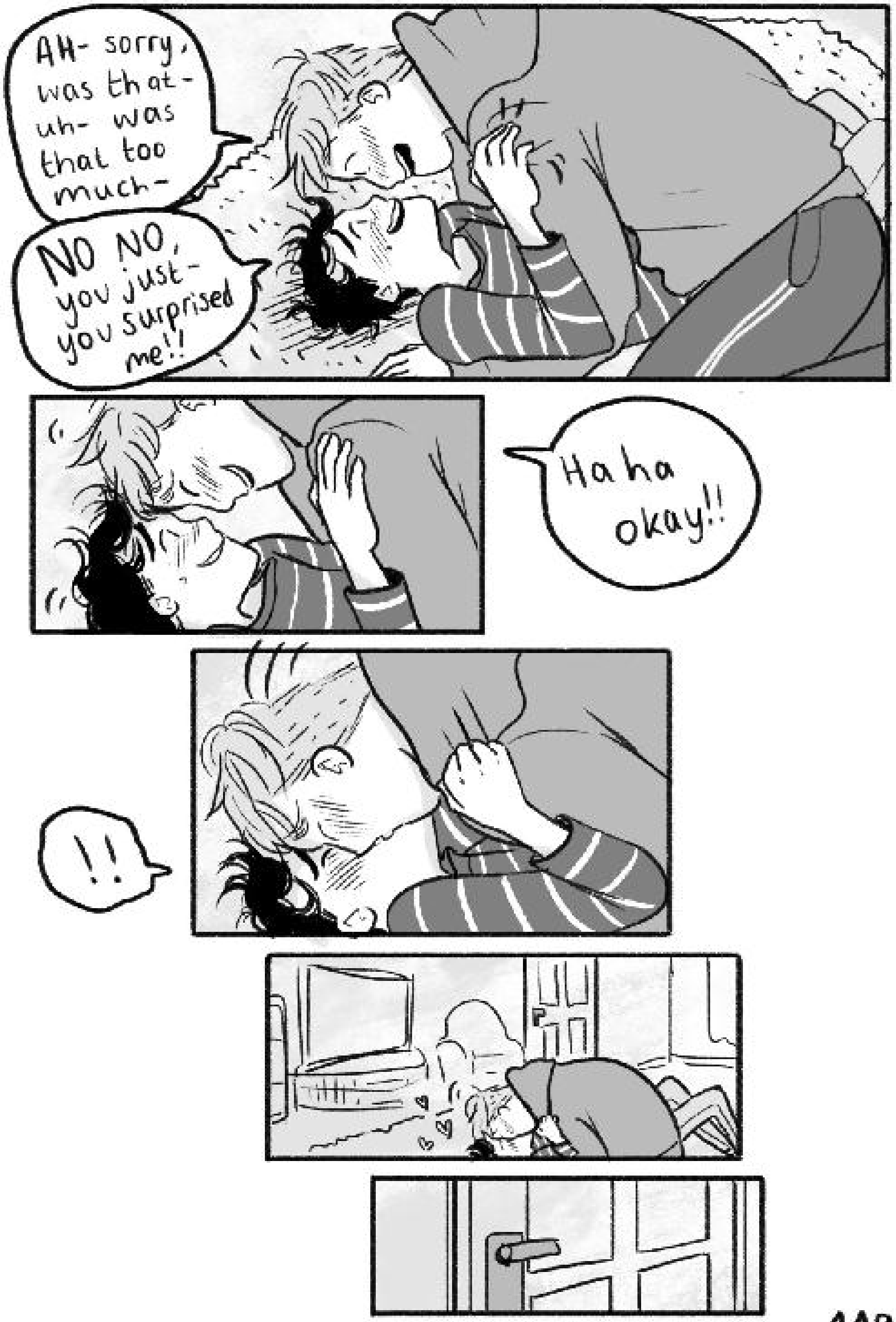

Was... was that okay?
I felt bad because I didn't ask you first-
OH MY GOD!!
THAT'S AMAZING!!

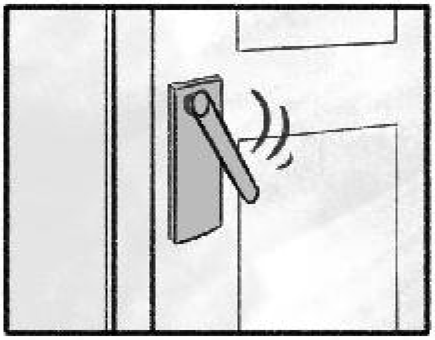

Oh!! My!! God!!
Ha ha ha!!
You're amazing

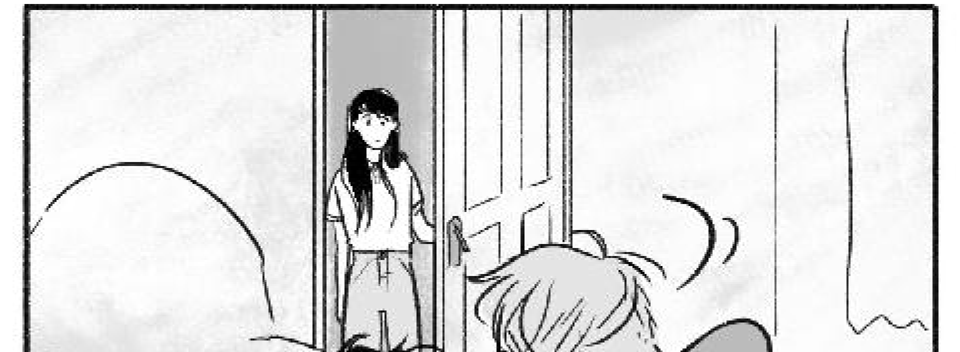

I take it that means you don't mind I told her?
You told someone!!
You came out to someone!!
I did!!
...

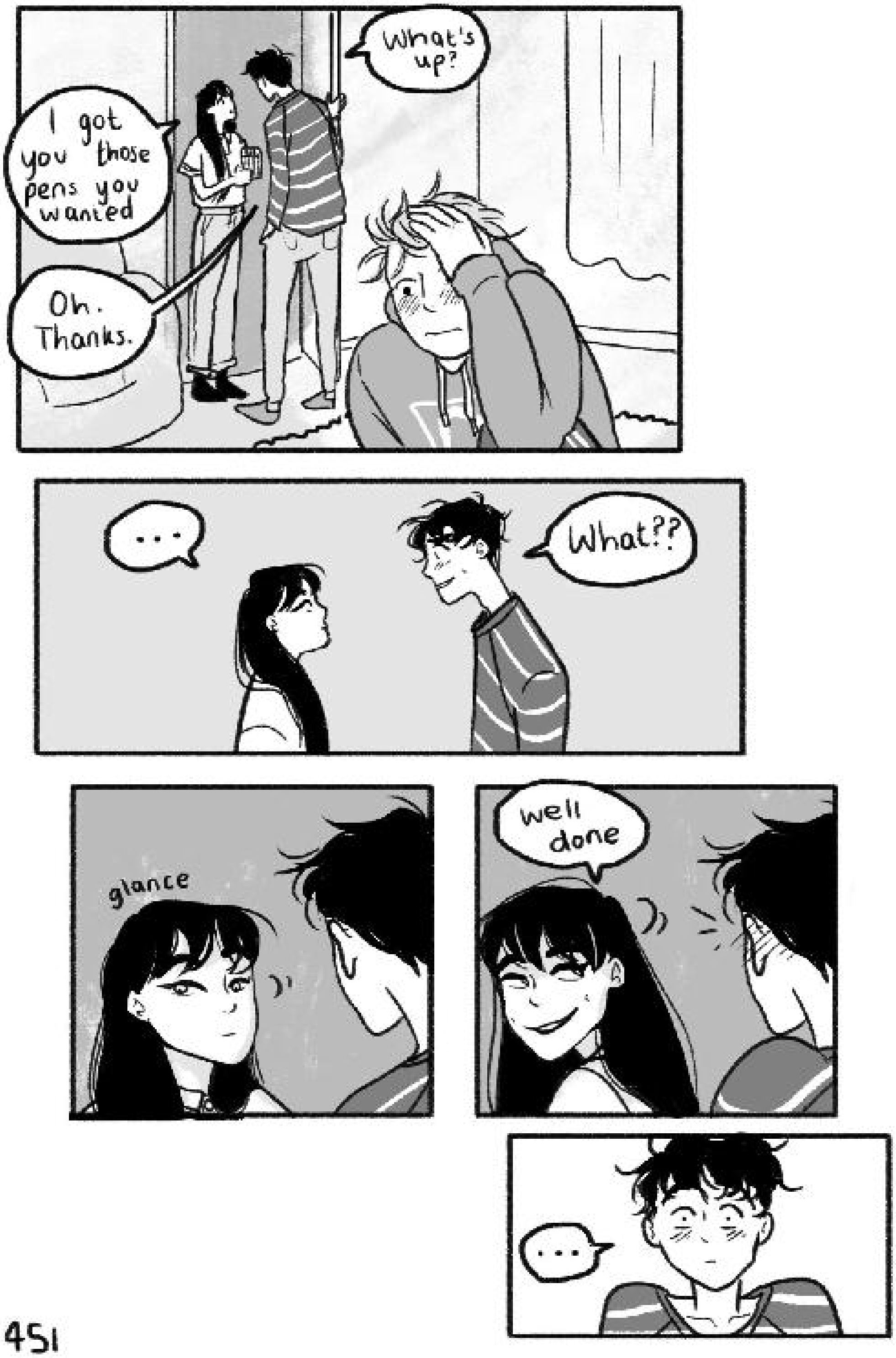

going out with you is like a dream

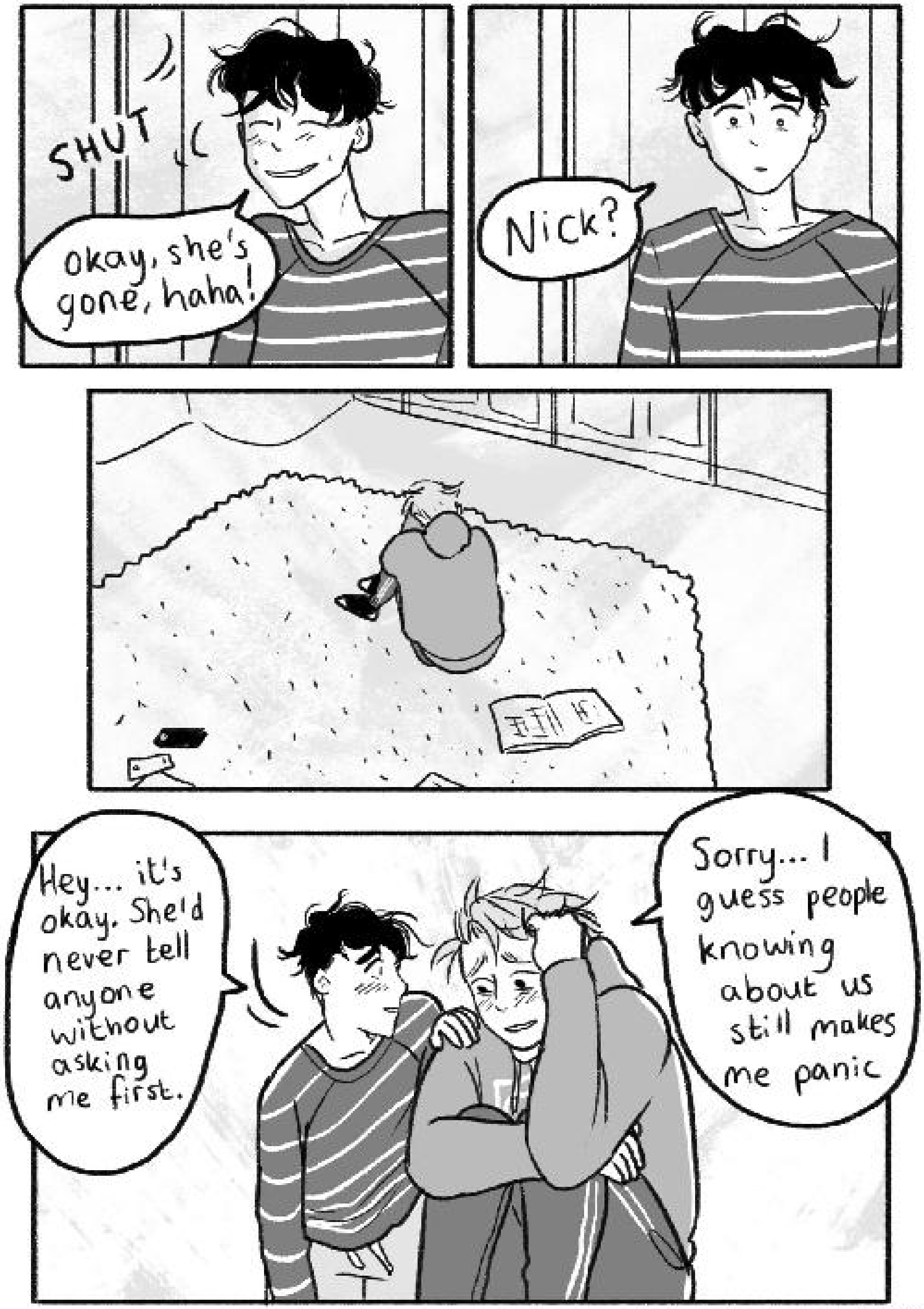


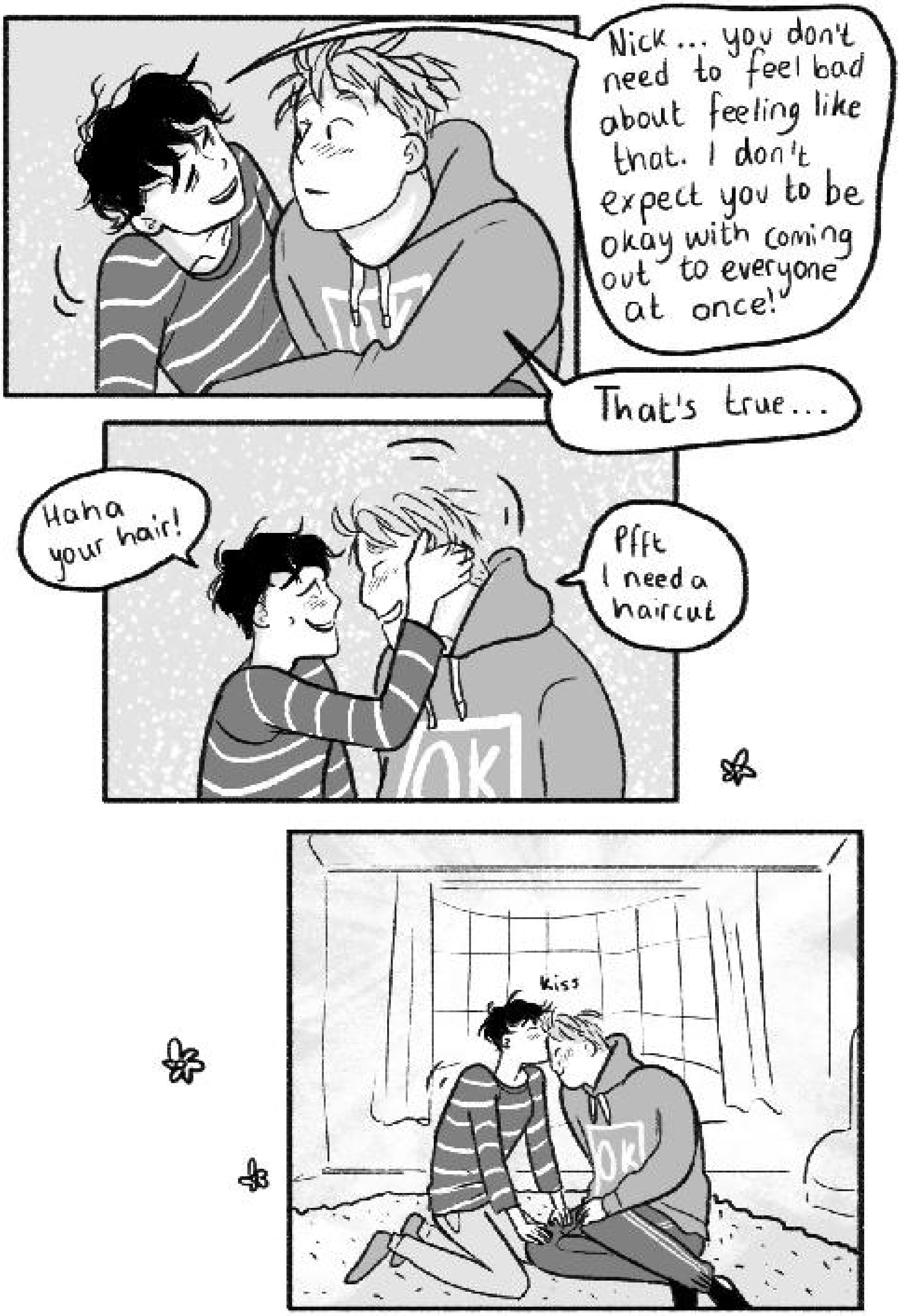

AH- sorry, was that- uh- was that too much-
NO NO, you just- you surprised me!!
Haha okay!!
!!

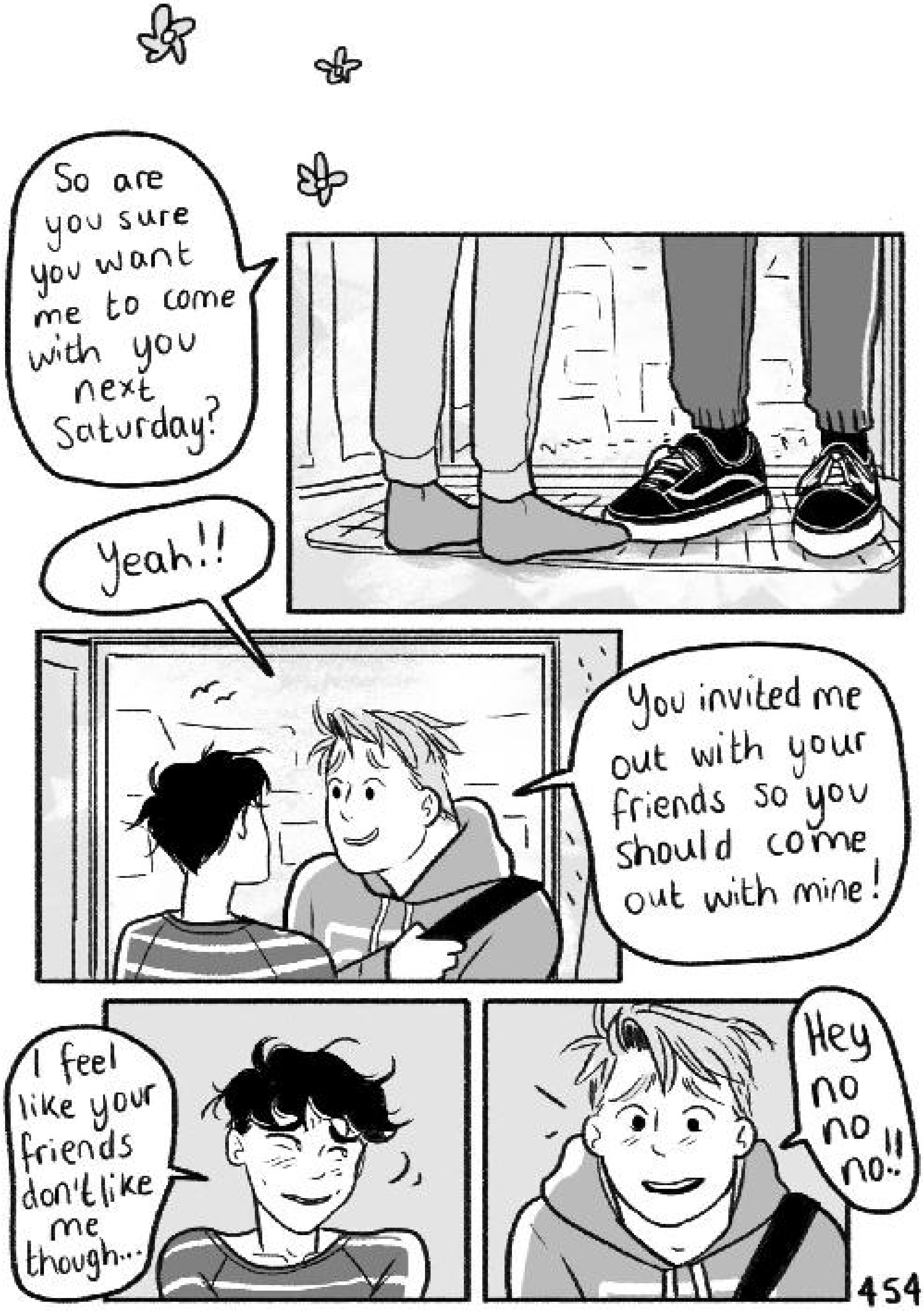


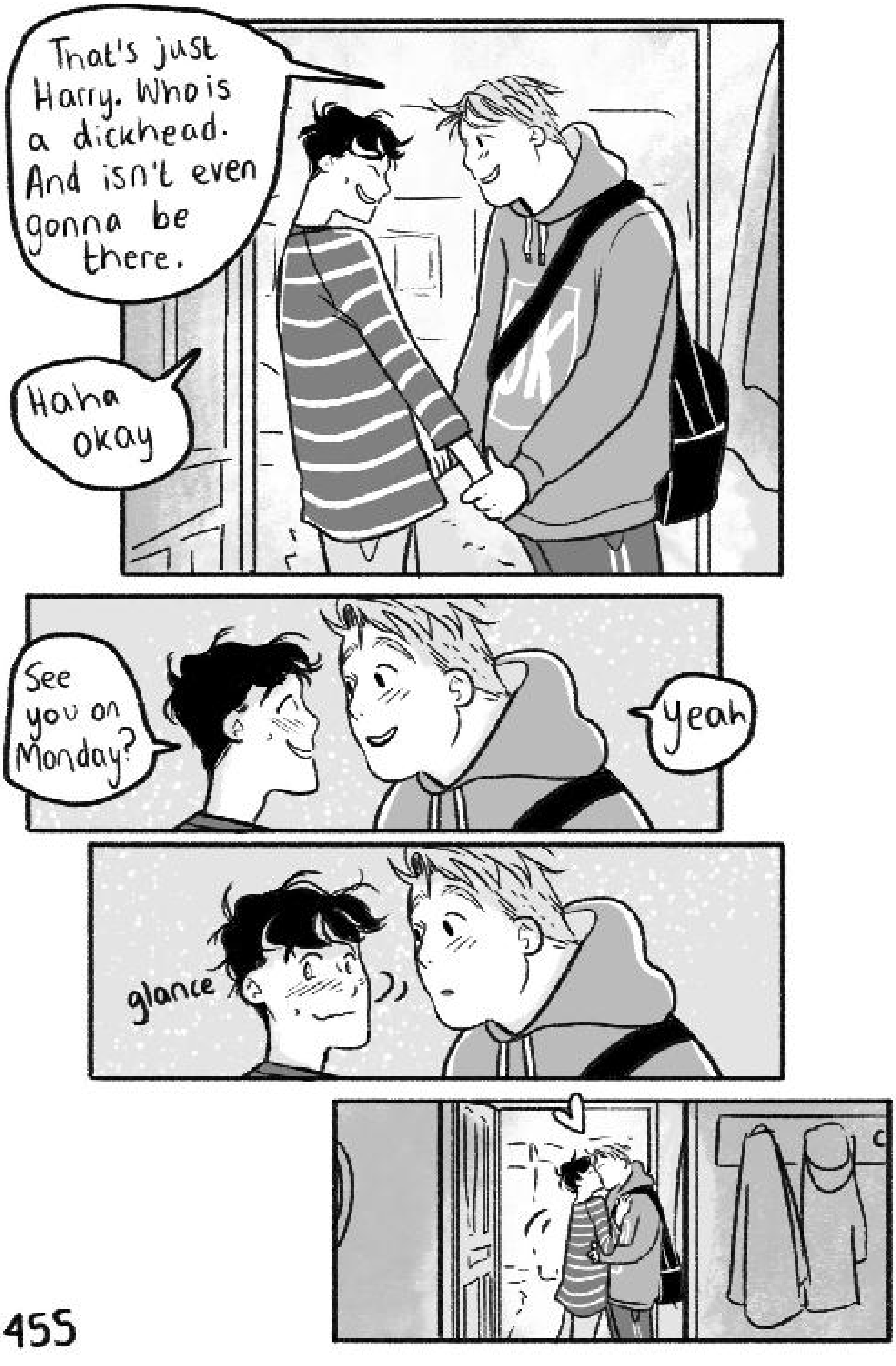

...
Tori... I didn't hear you get home

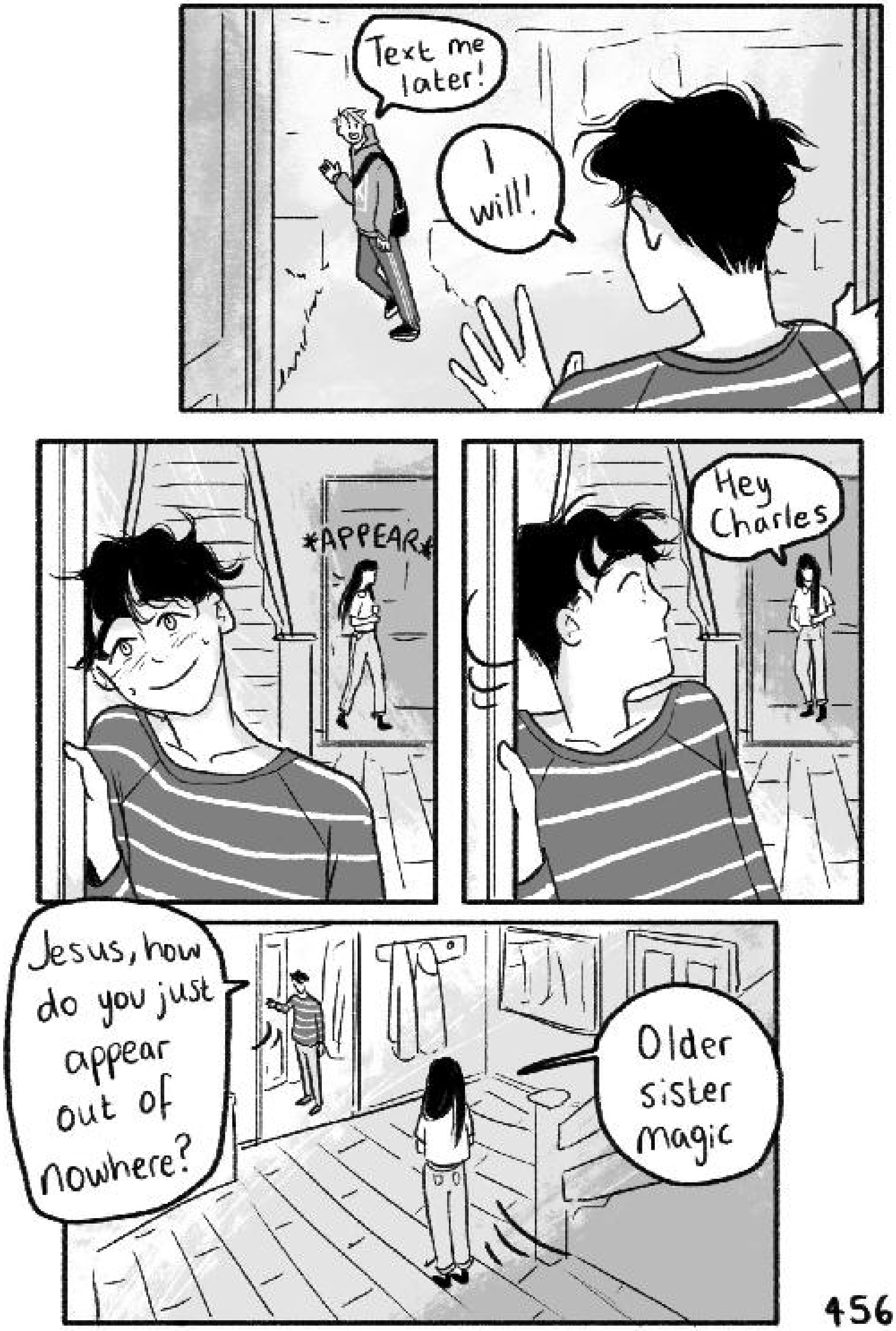

What's up?
I got you those pens you wanted
Oh. Thanks.
...
What??
glance
well done
...

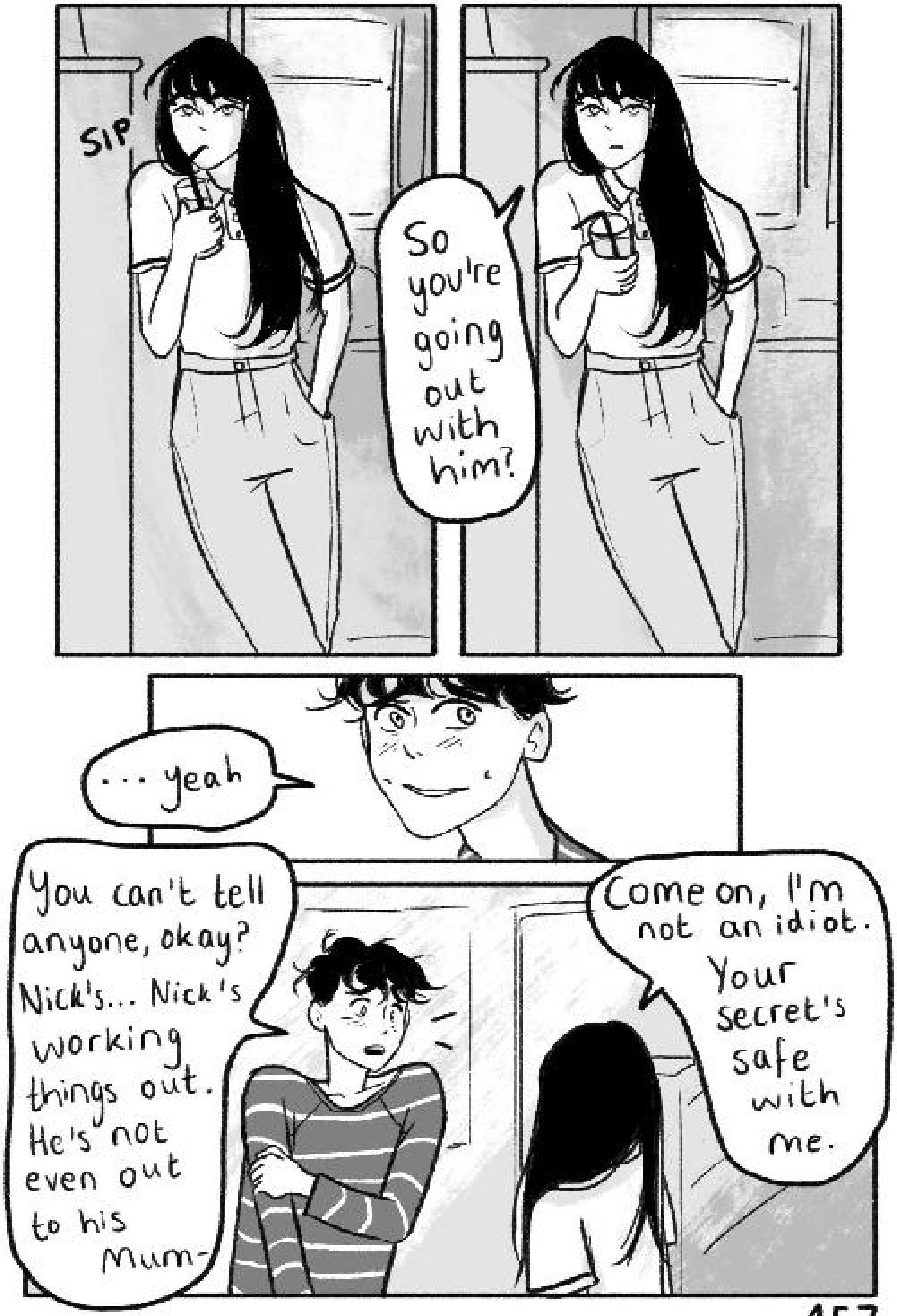

SHUT
okay, she's gone, haha!
Nick?
Hey... it's okay. She'd never tell anyone without asking me first.
Sorry... I guess people knowing about us still makes me panic

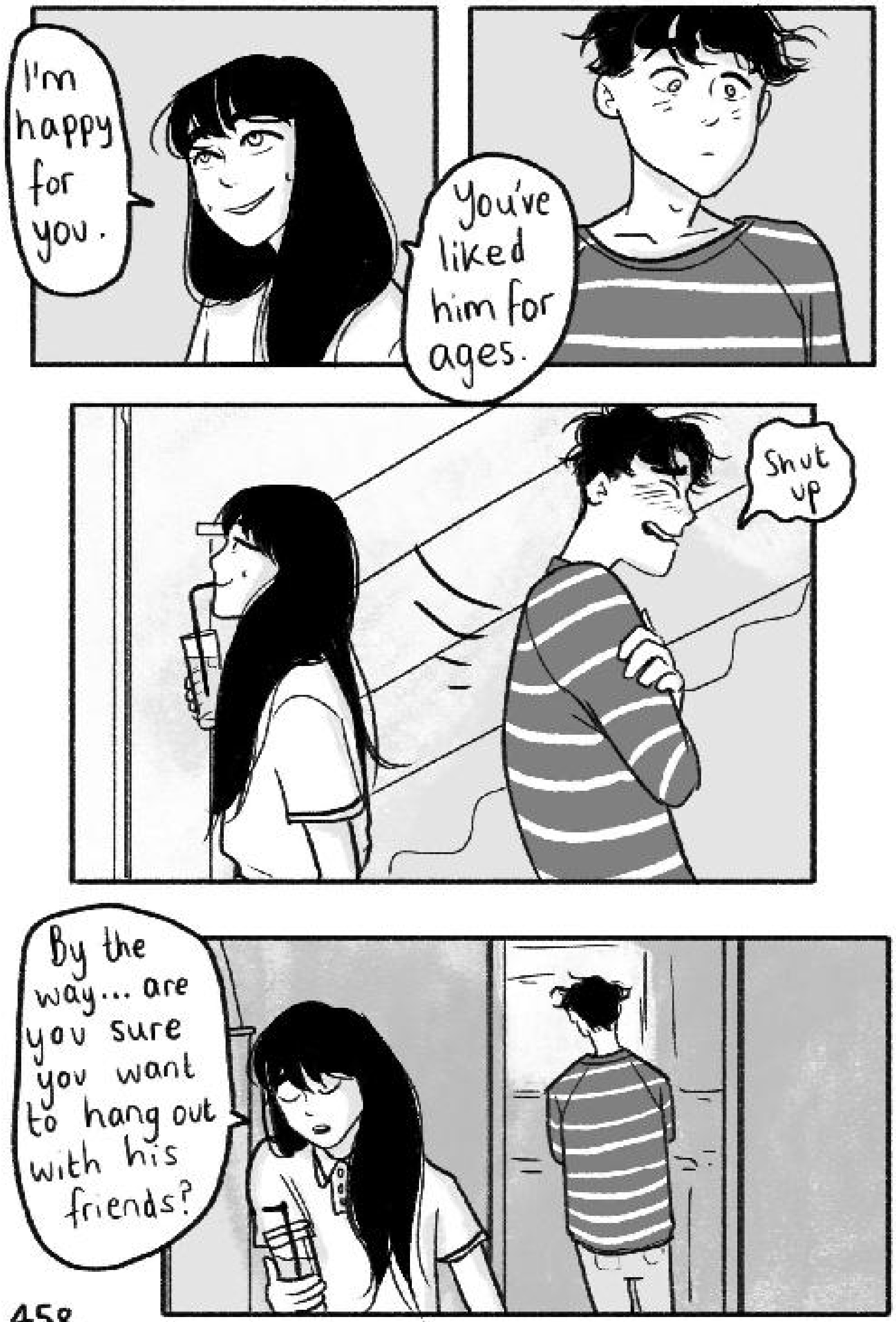

Nick... you don't need to feel bad about feeling like that. I don't expect you to be okay with coming out to everyone at once!
That's true...
OK
Haha your hair!
Pfft I need a haircut
OK
Kiss
OK

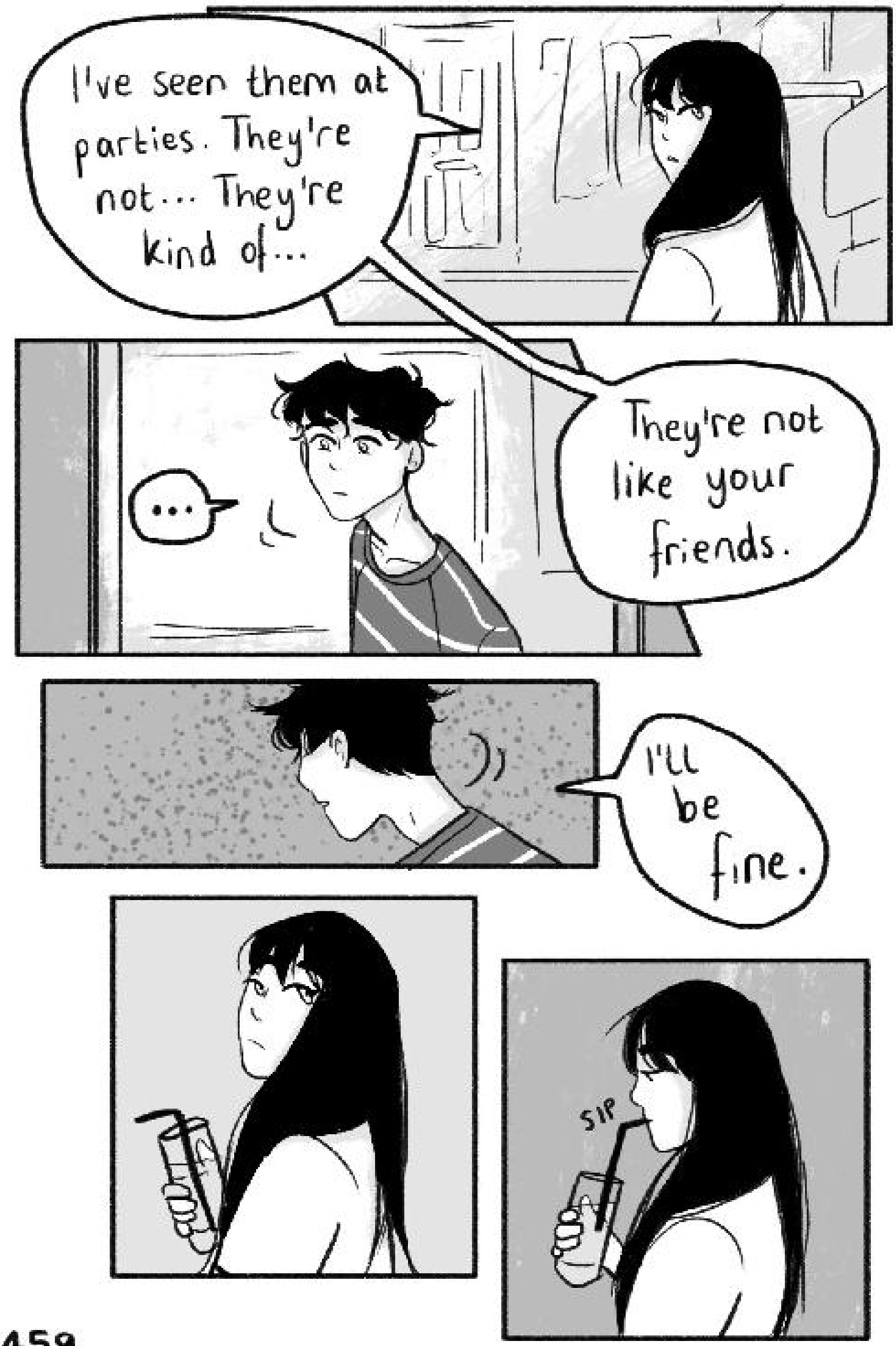

So are you sure you want me to come with you next Saturday?
Yeah!!
You invited me out with your friends so you should come out with mine!
I feel like your friends don't like me though...
Hey no no no!!

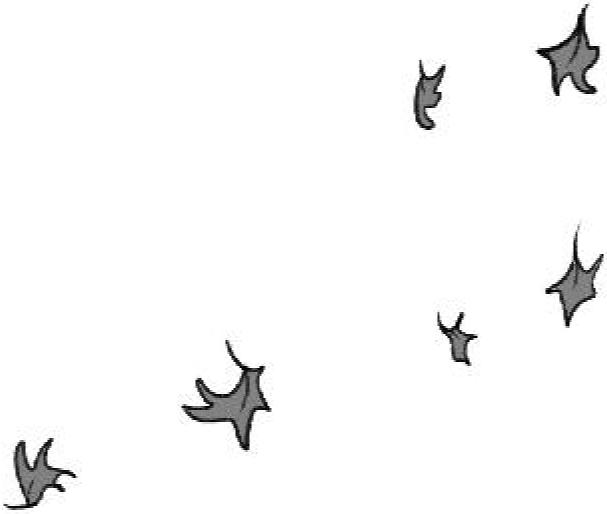

That's just Harry. Who is a dickhead. And isn't even gonna be there.
Haha okay
See you on Monday?
Yeah
glance


Text me later!
I will!
APPEAR
Hey Charles
Jesus, how do you just appear out of nowhere?
Older sister magic


SIP
So you're going out with him?
... yeah
You can't tell anyone, okay? Nick's... Nick's working things out. He's not even out to his Mum-
Come on, I'm not an idiot. Your secret's safe with me.


I'm happy for you.
You've liked him for ages.
Shut up
By the way... are you sure you want to hang out with his friends?


I've seen them at parties. They're not... They're kind of...
They're not like your friends.
...
I'll be fine.
SIP



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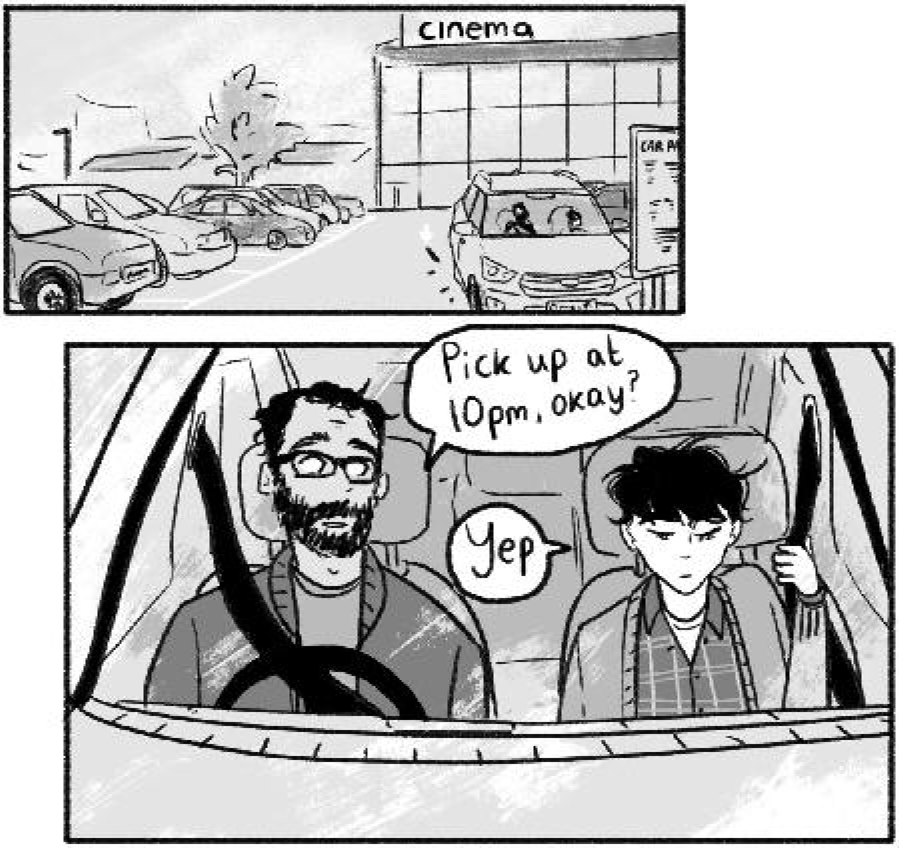
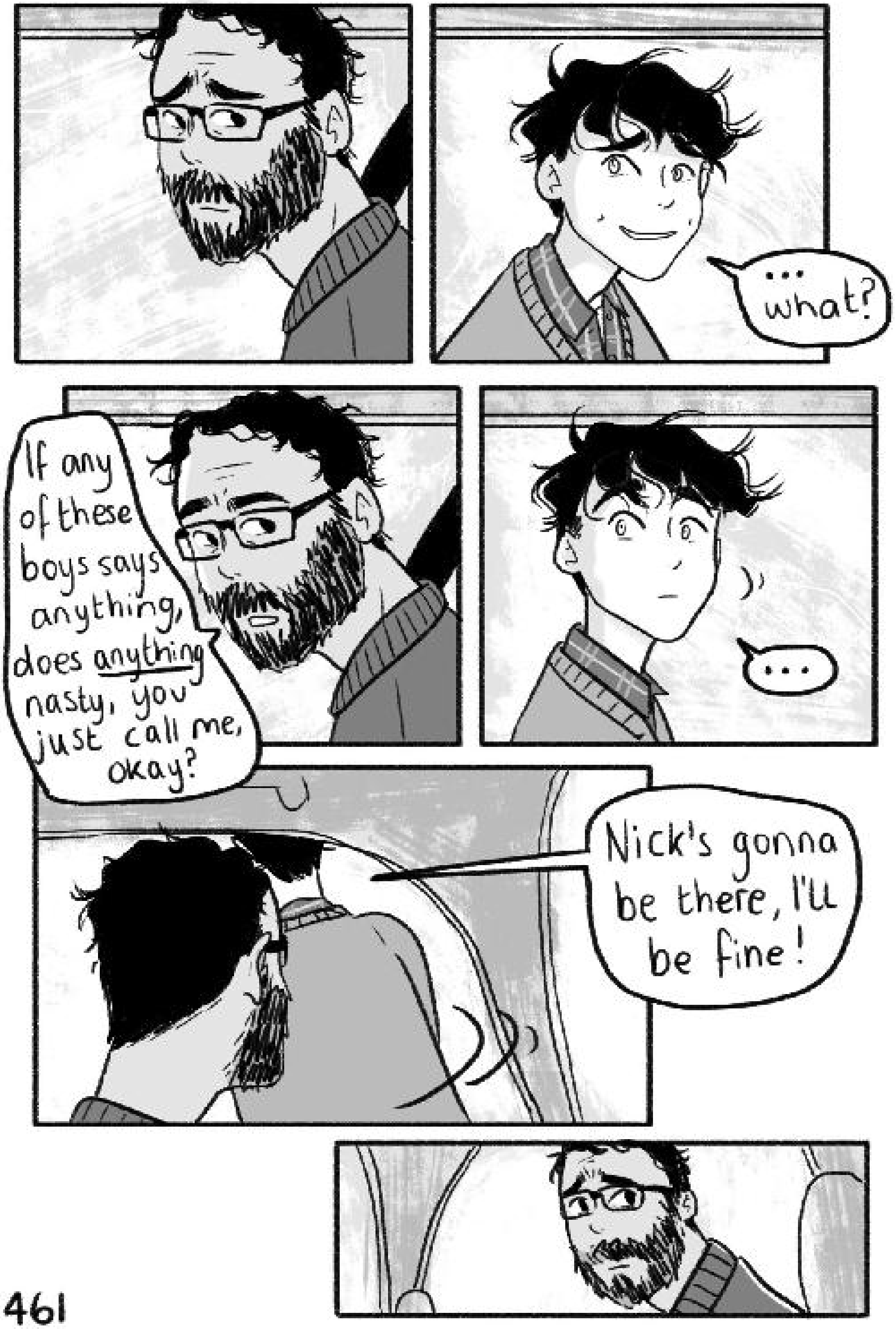
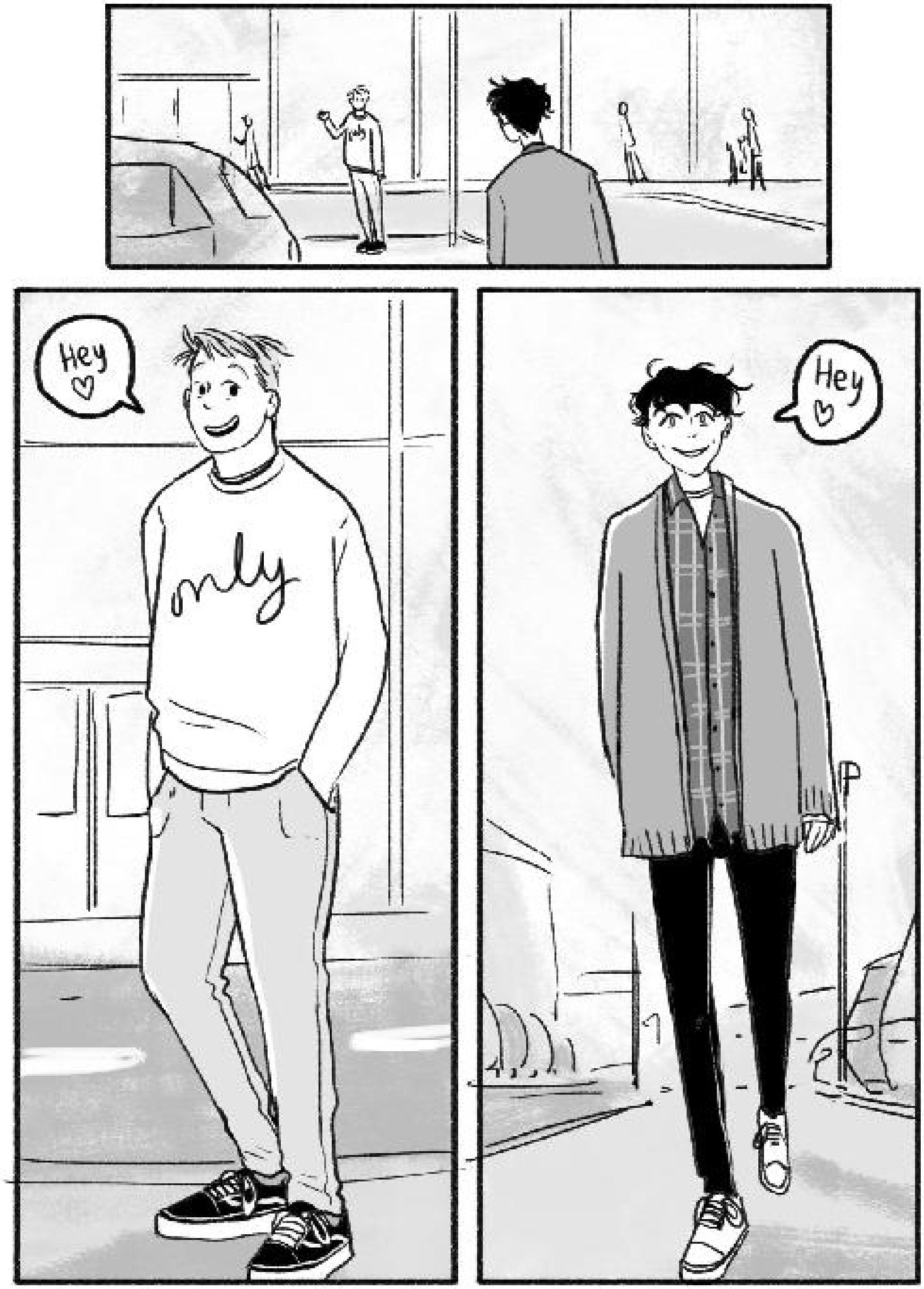
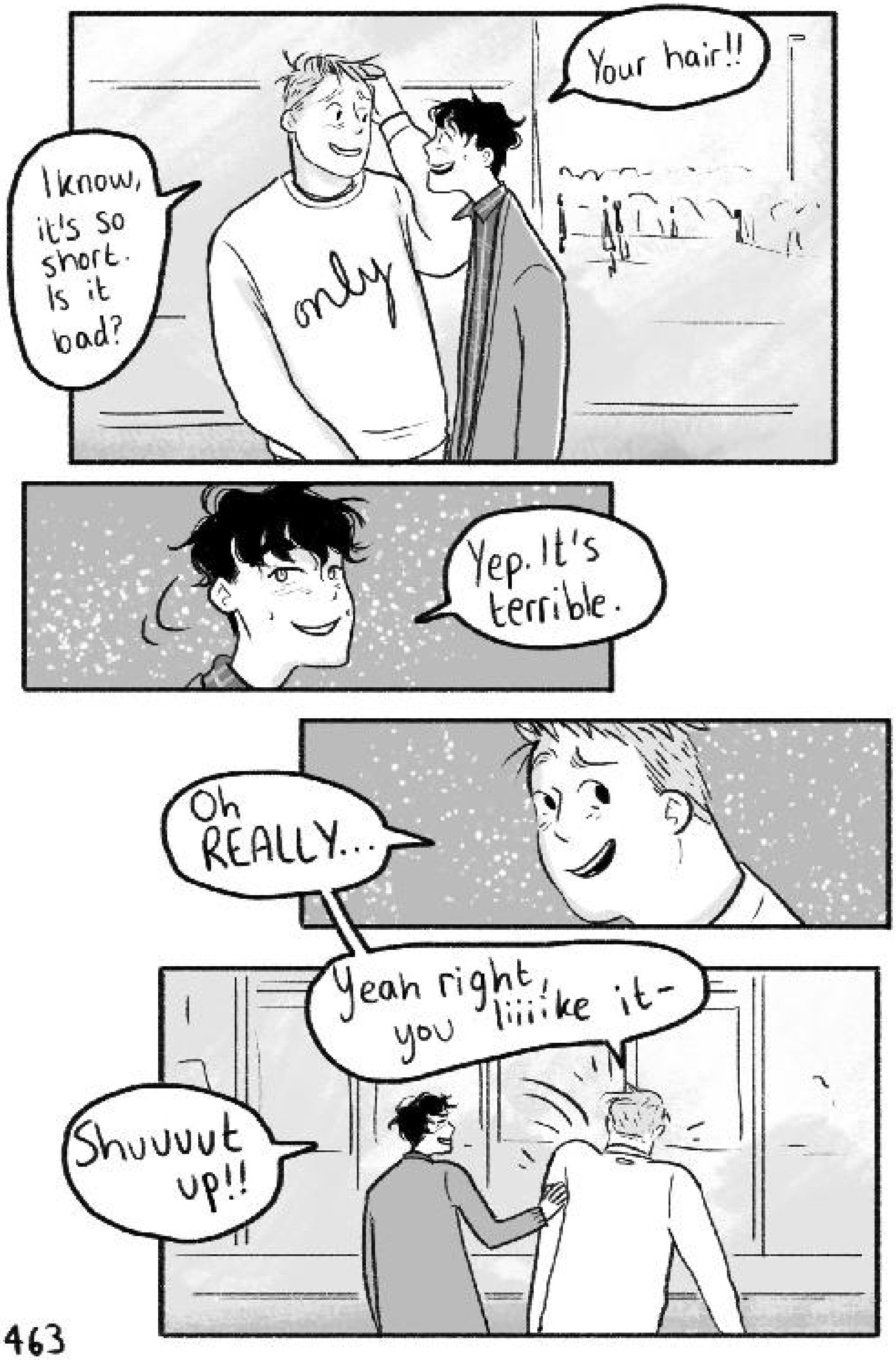
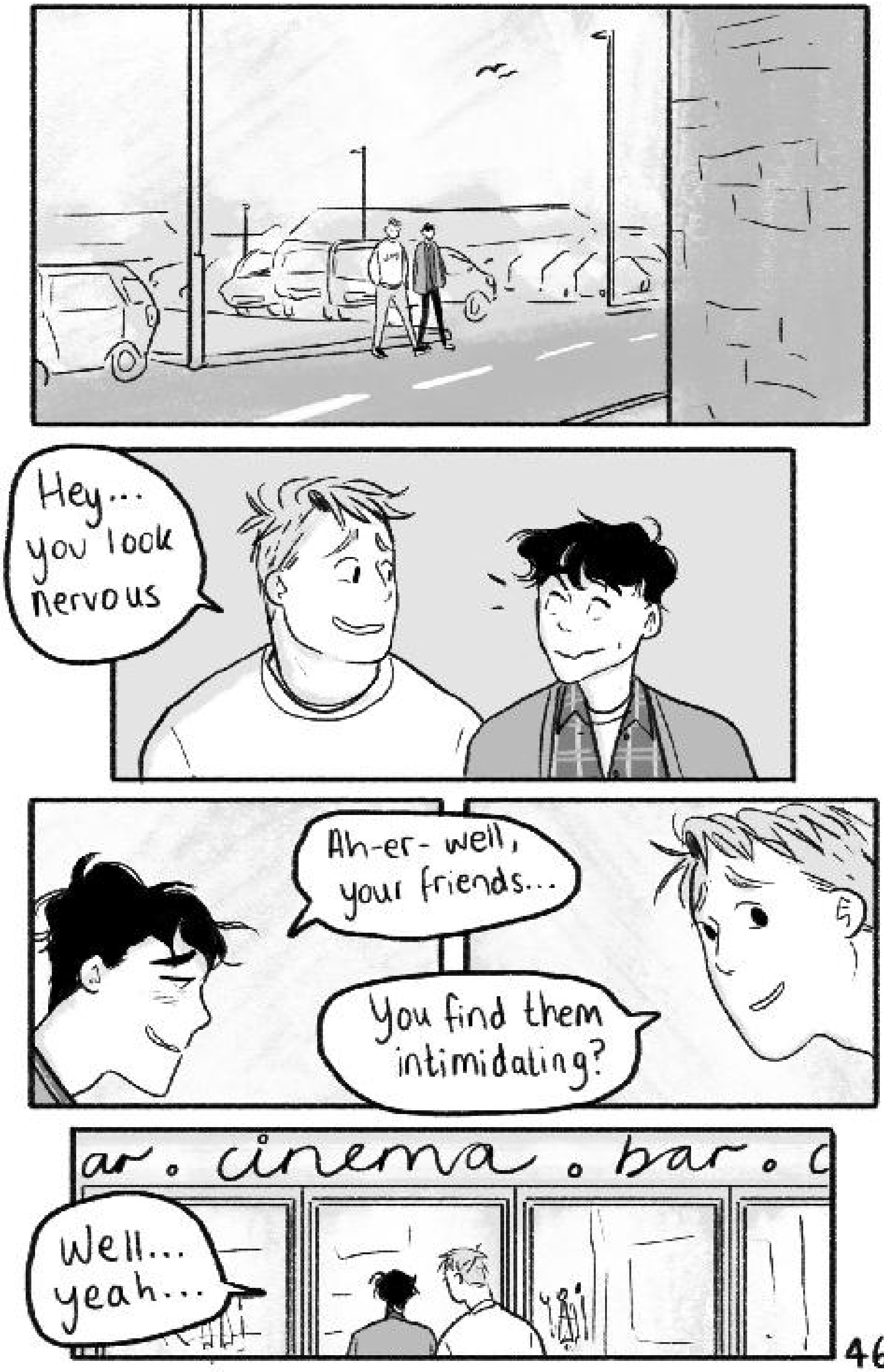
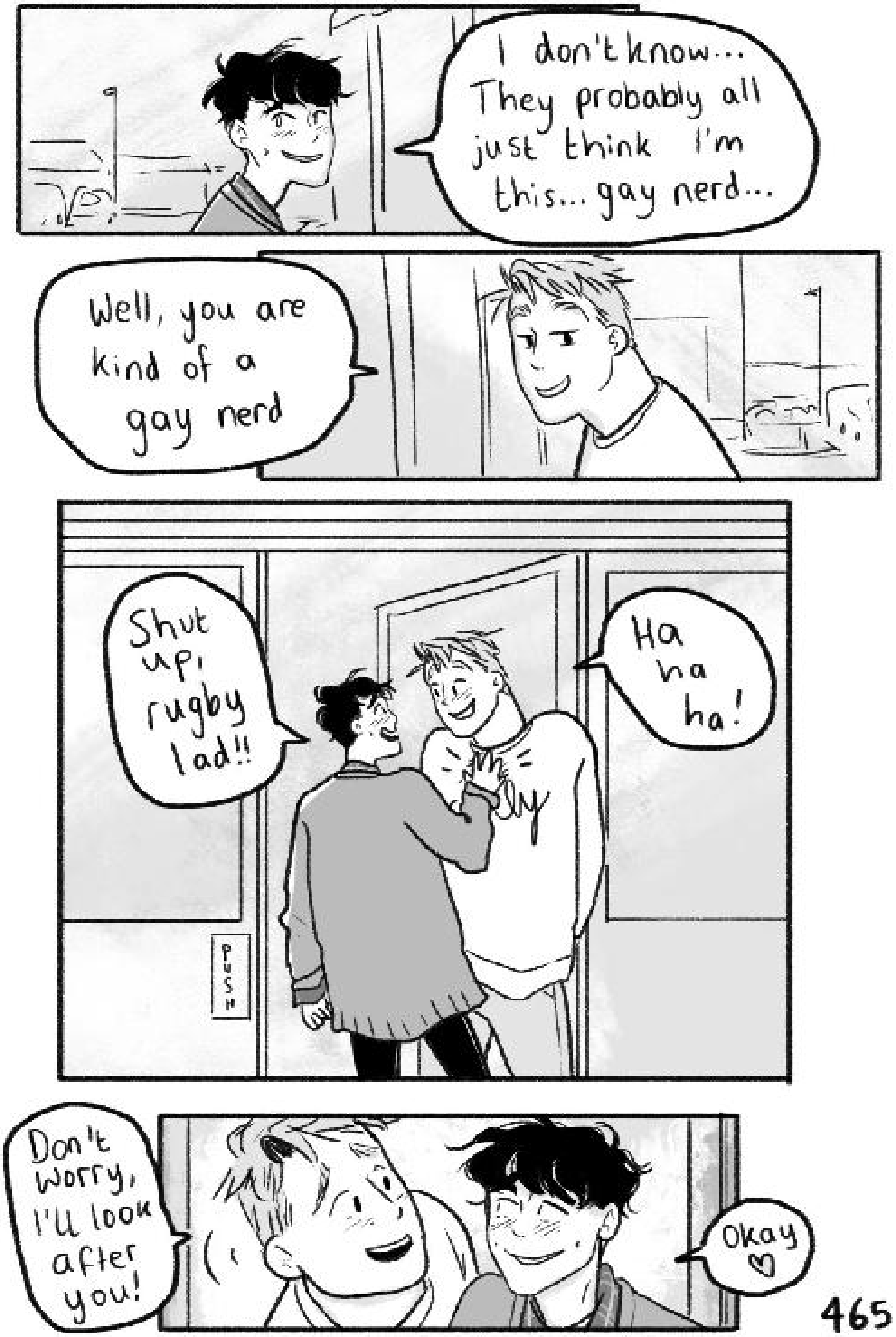

cinema
CAR PA
Pick up at 10pm, okay?
Yep

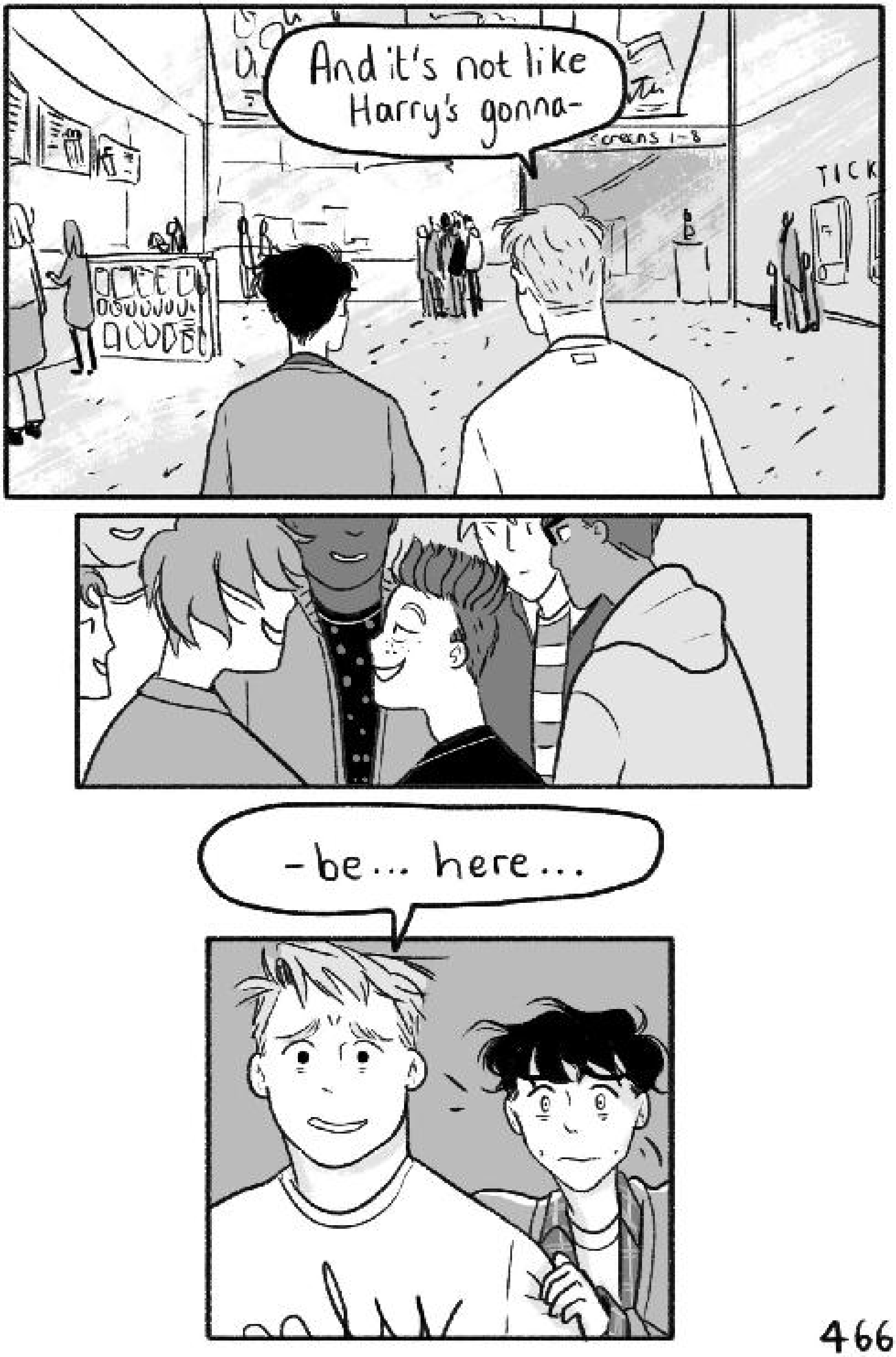

... what?
If any of these boys says anything, does anything nasty, you just call me, okay?
...
Nick's gonna be there, I'll be fine!

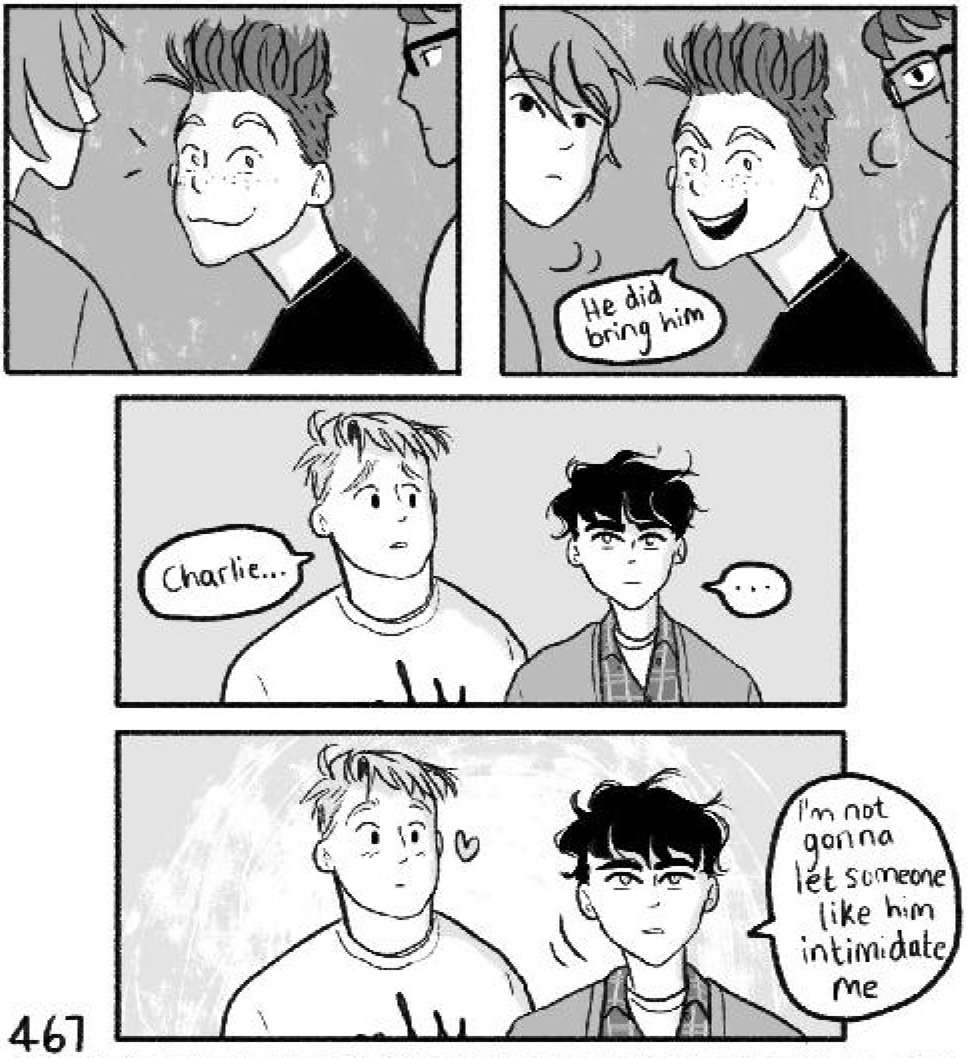

only
Hey ♡
Hey ♡


Your hair!!
I know, it's so short. Is it bad?
only
Yep. It's terrible.
Oh REALLY...
Yeah right, you liiiike it-
Shuuuut up!!


Hey... you look nervous
Ah-er- well, your friends...
You find them intimidating?
ar. cinema . bar . c
Well... yeah...


I don't know... They probably all just think I'm this... gay nerd...
Well, you are kind of a gay nerd
Shut up, rugby lad!!
Ha ha ha!
PUSH
Don't worry, I'll look after you!
Okay ♡


And it's not like Harry's gonna-
Screens 1-8
TICK
-be... here...


He did bring him
Charlie...
...
I'm not gonna let someone like him intimidate me

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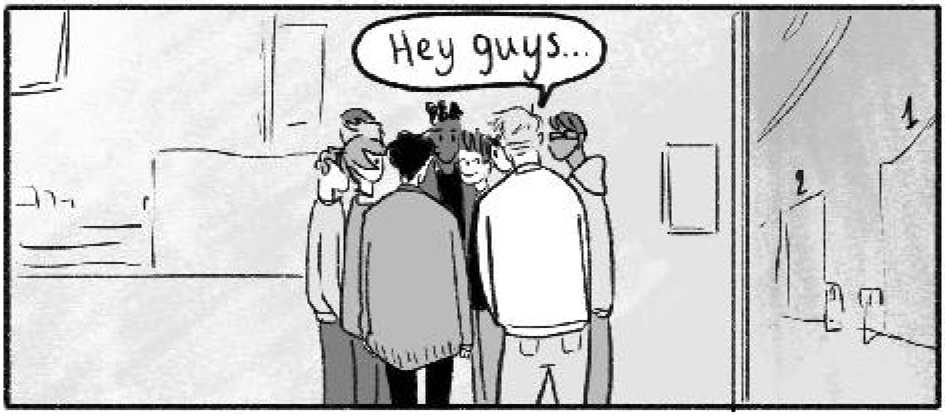
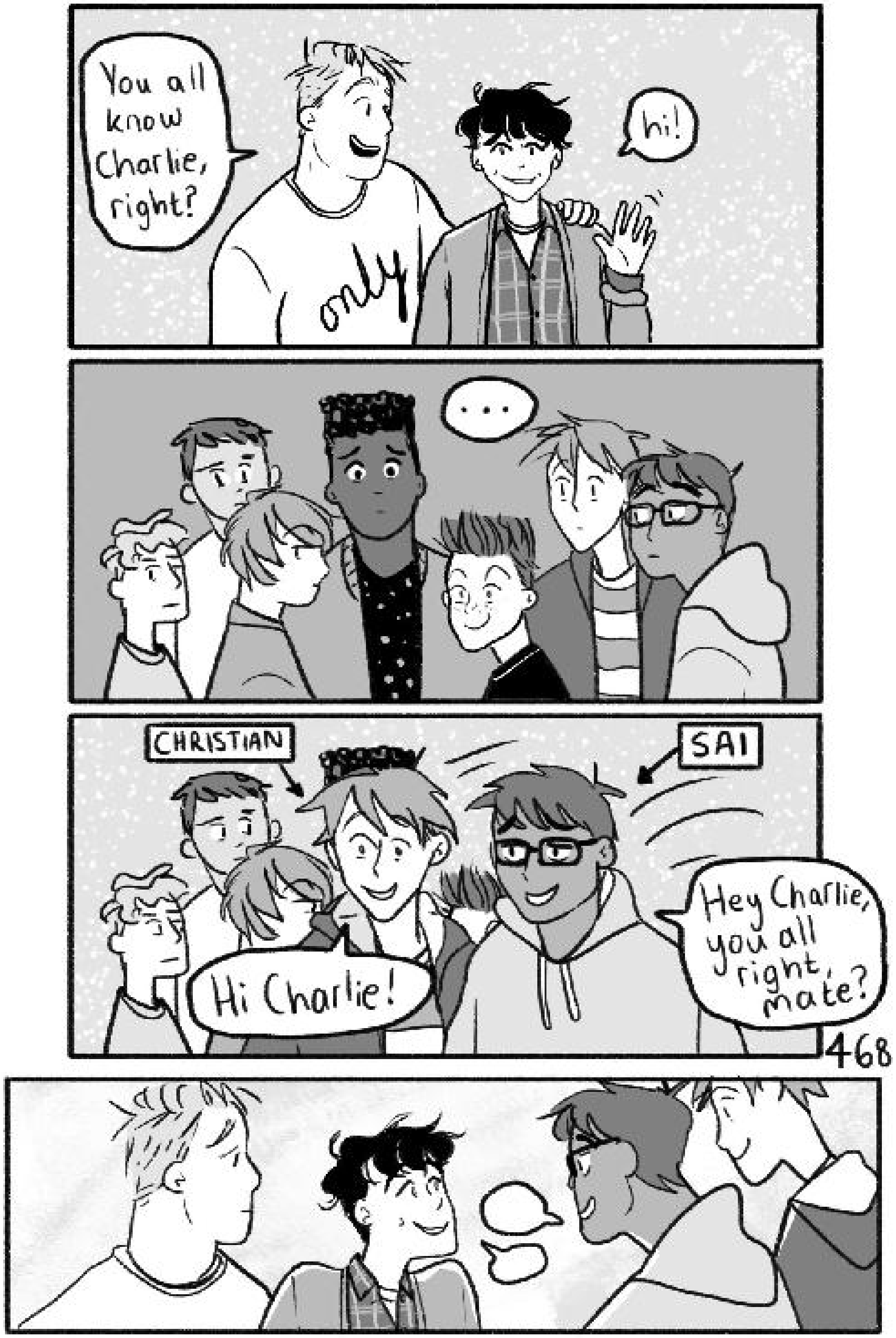
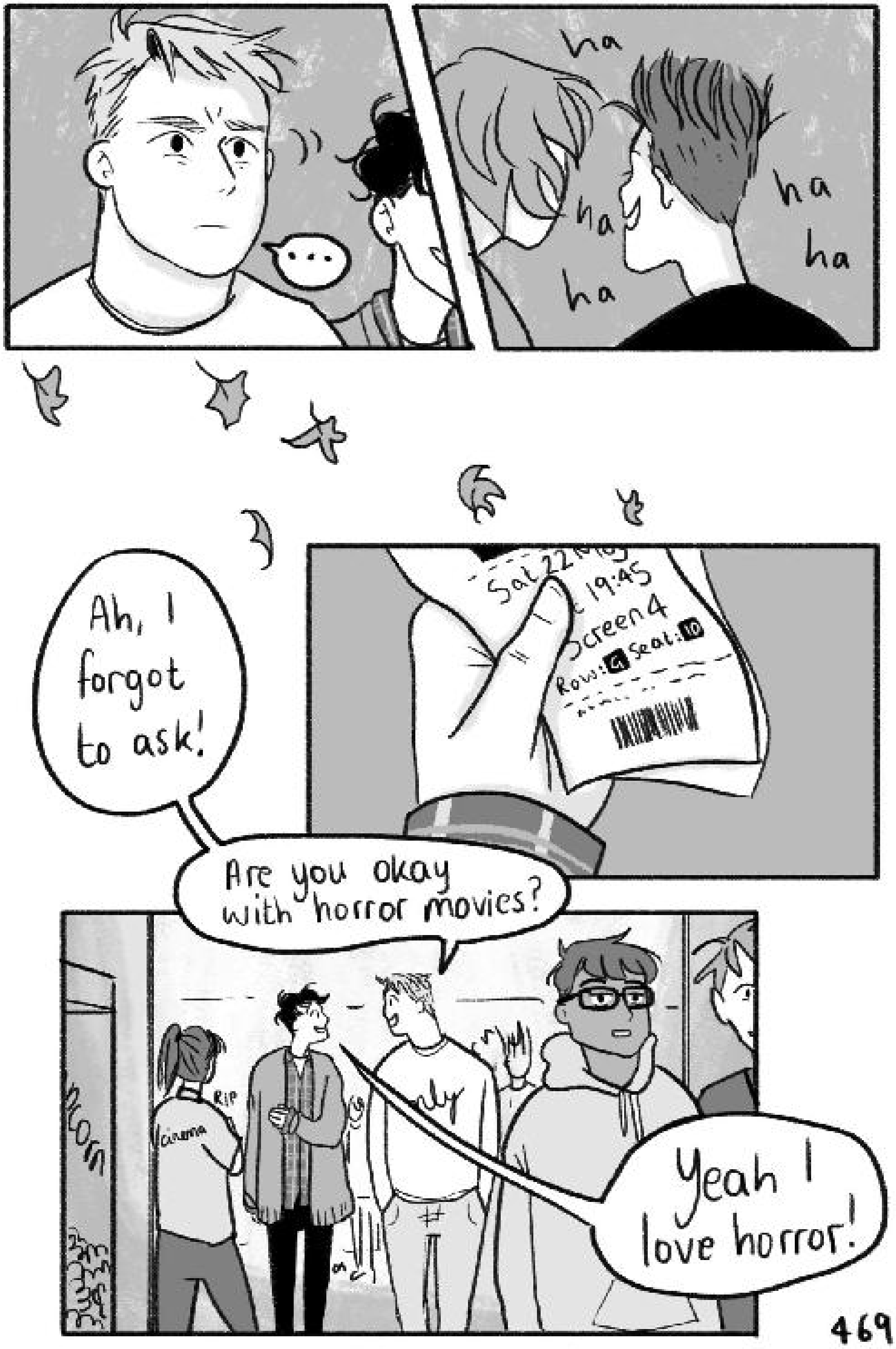

Hey guys...
1
2


You all know Charlie, right?
only
hi!
...
CHRISTIAN
SAI
Hi Charlie!
Hey Charlie, you all right, mate?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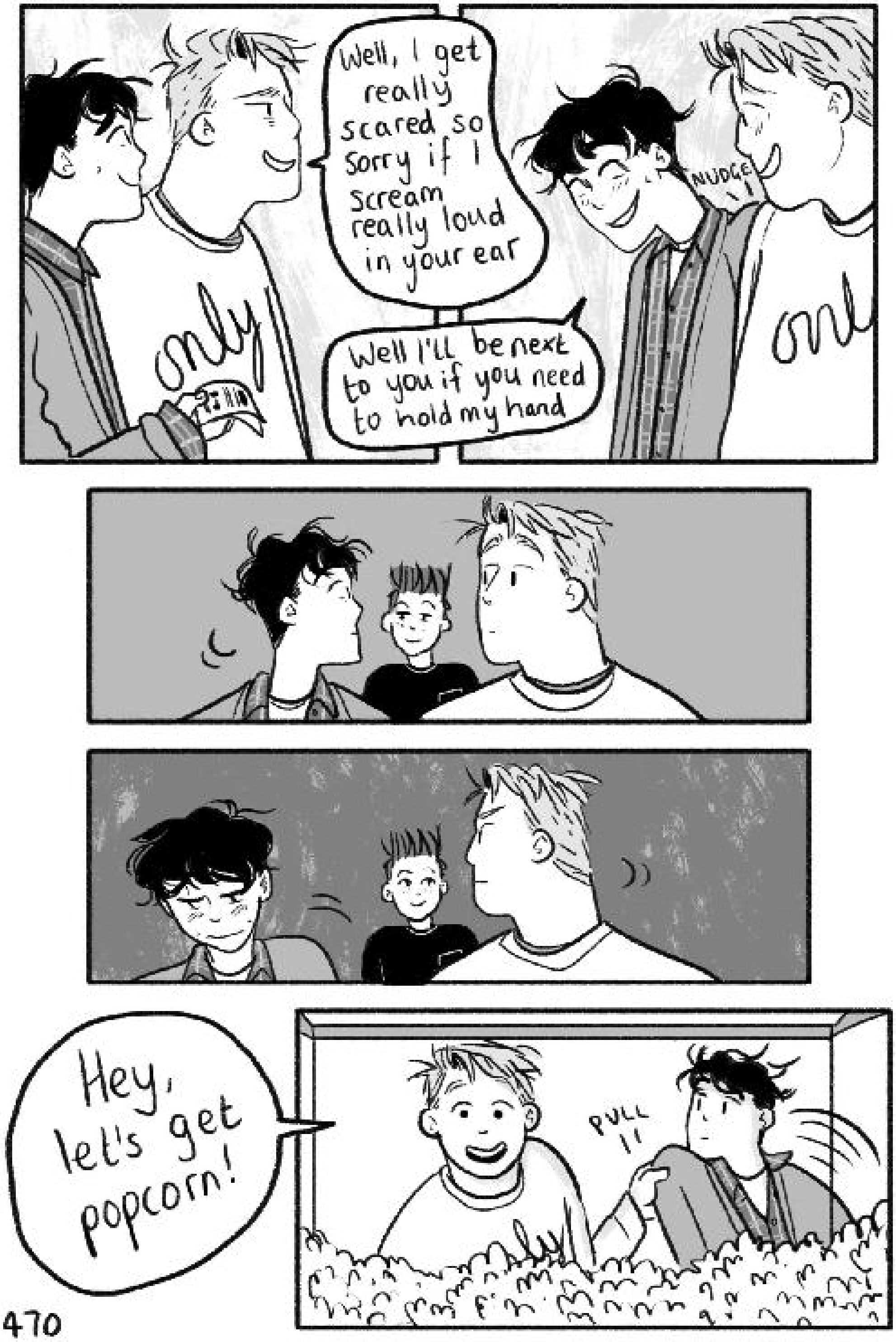
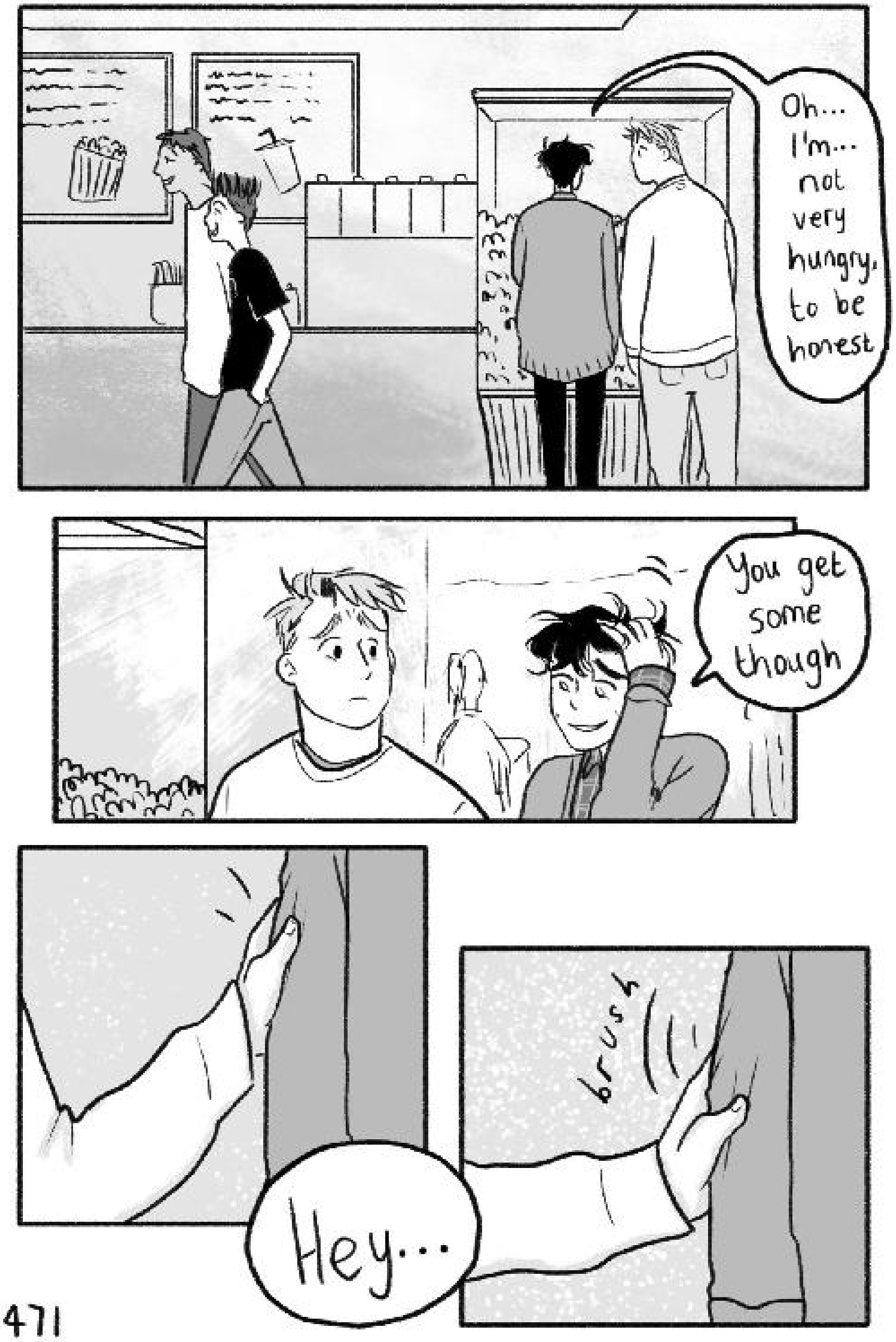
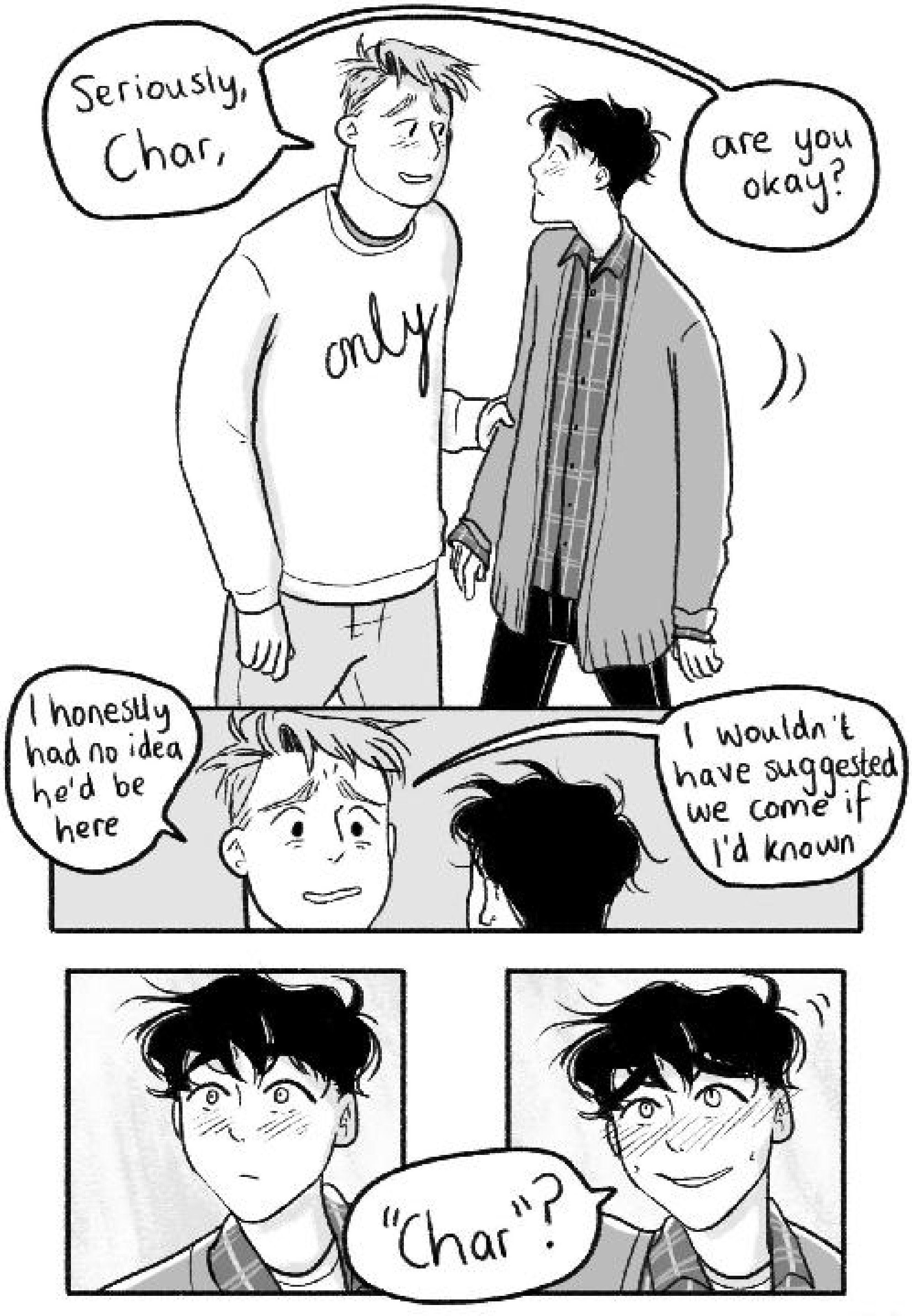
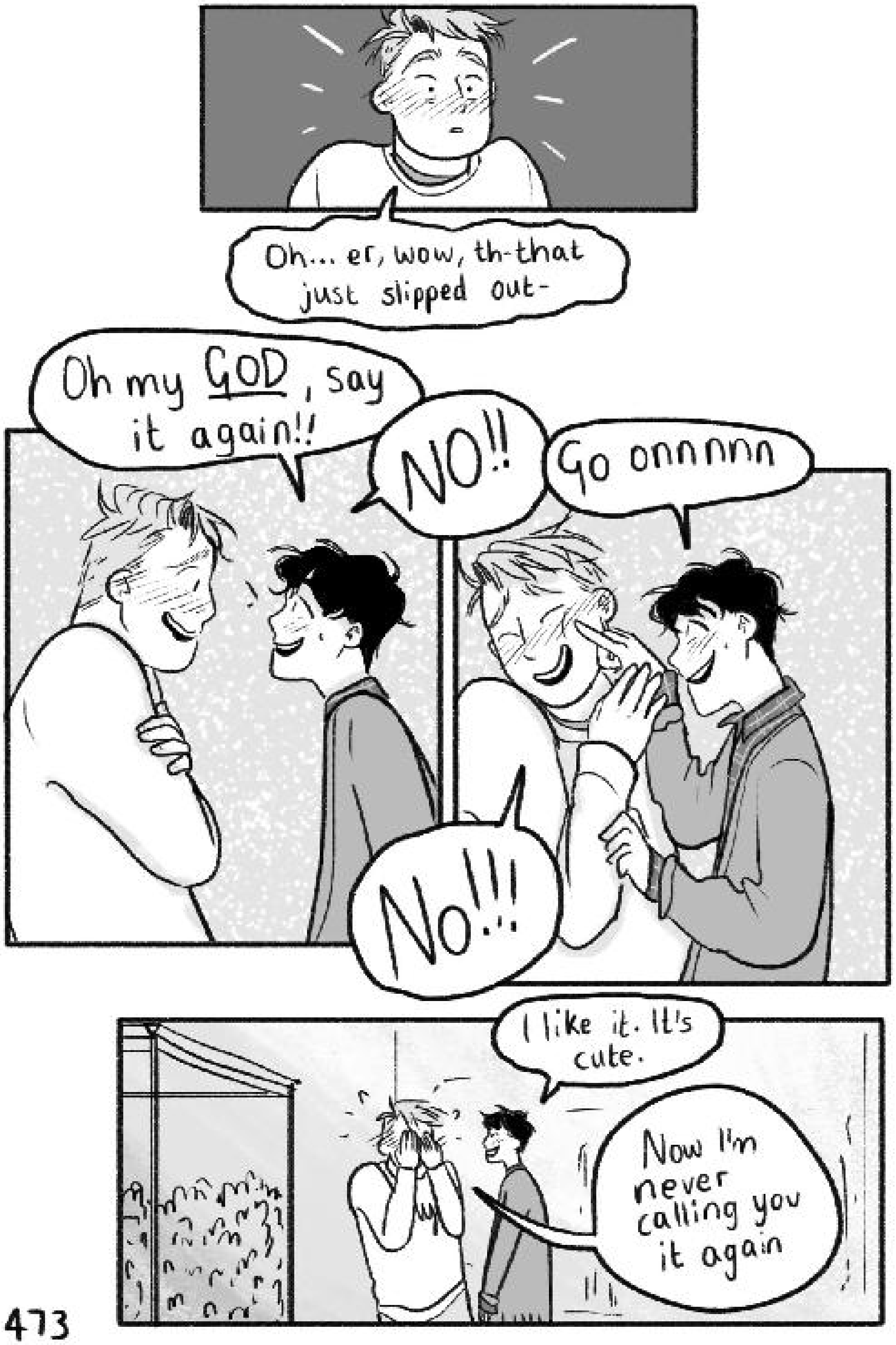
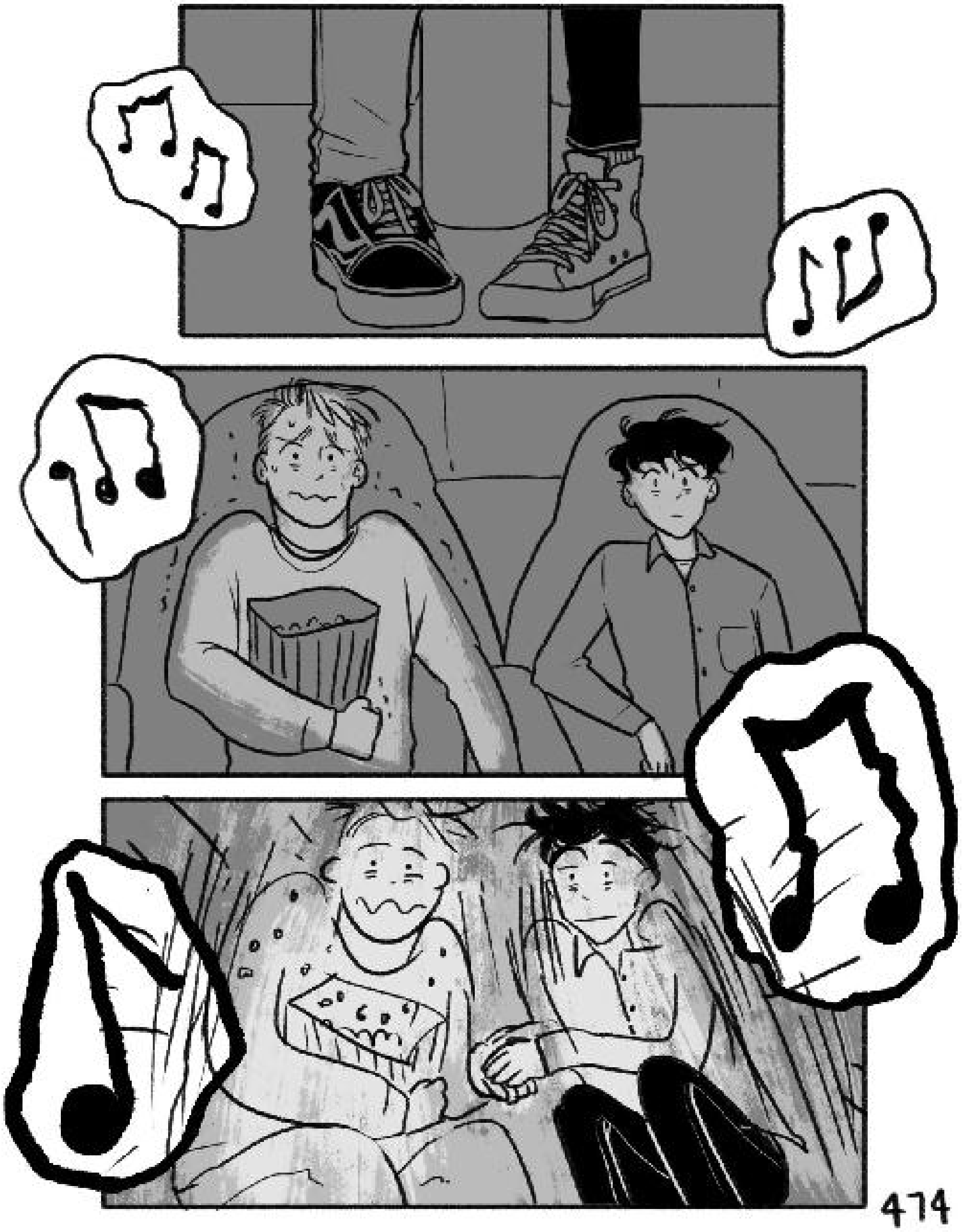
19:45
Screen 4
Row: G Seat: 10
Ah, I forgot to ask!
Are you okay with horror movies?
Yeah I love horror!
RIP
cinema

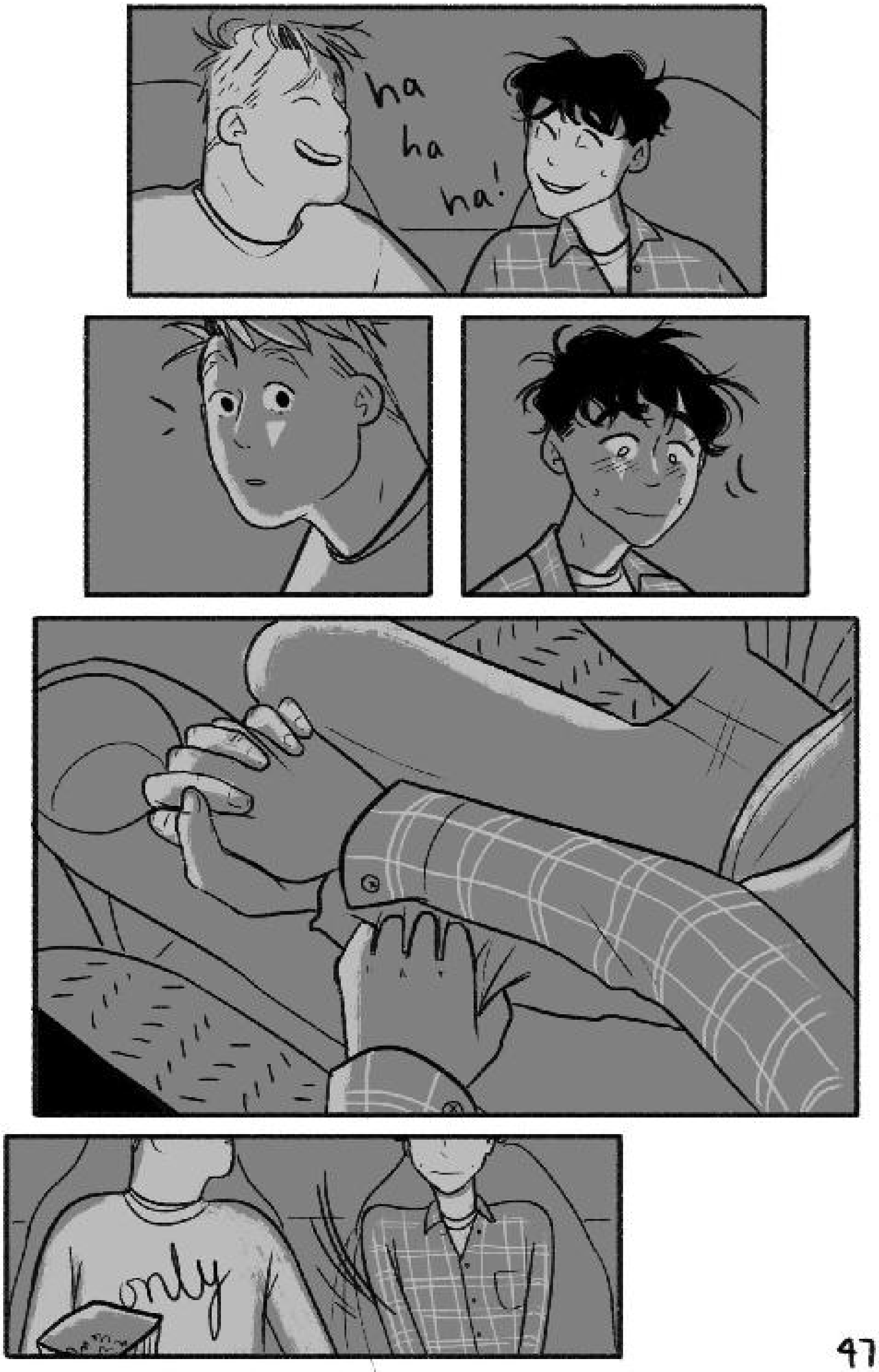

Well, I get really scared so sorry if I scream really loud in your ear
only
Well I'll be next to you if you need to hold my hand
NUDGE
only
Hey, let's get popcorn!
PULL
only

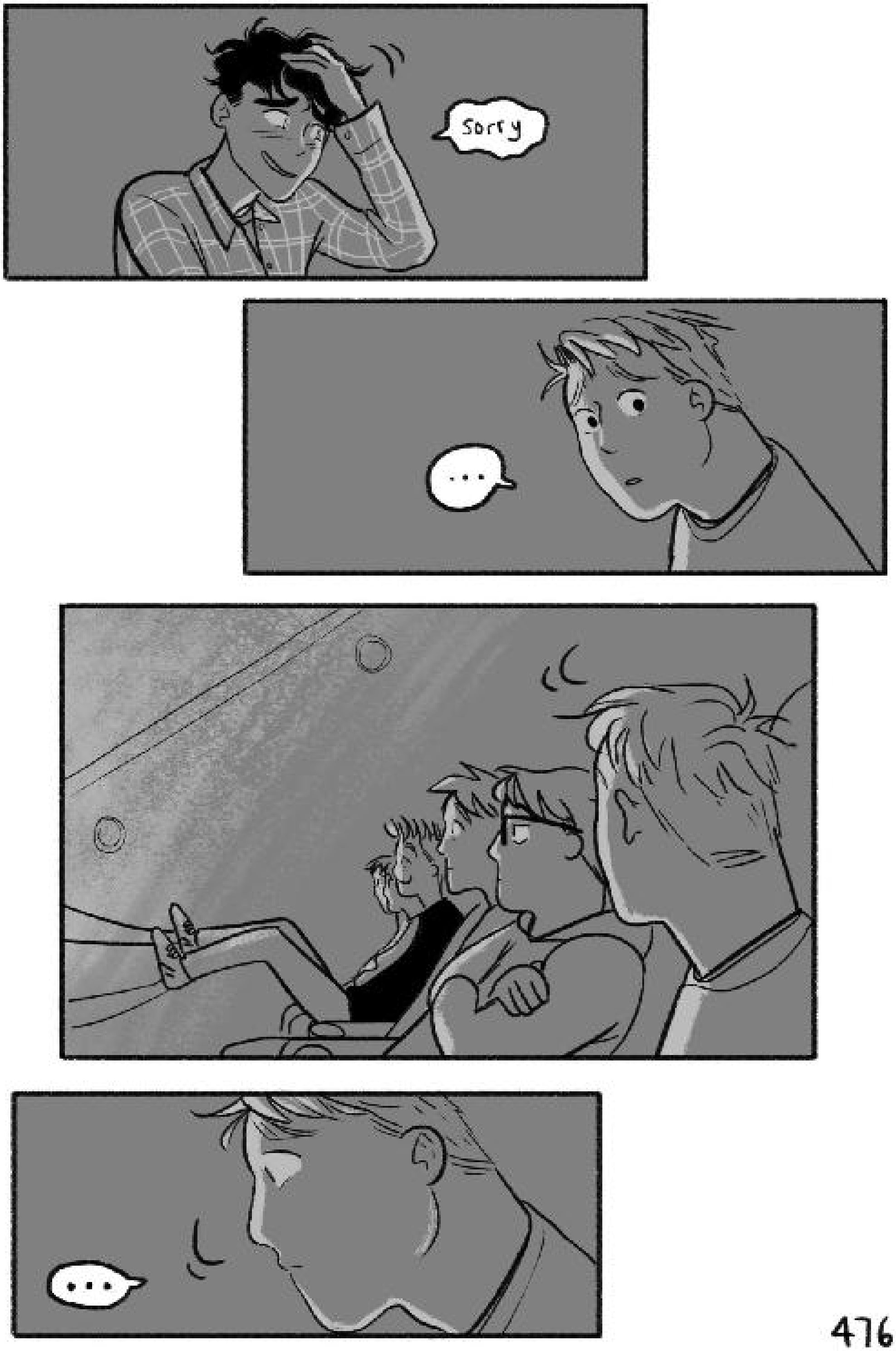

Oh... I'm... not very hungry, to be honest
You get some though
brush
Hey...

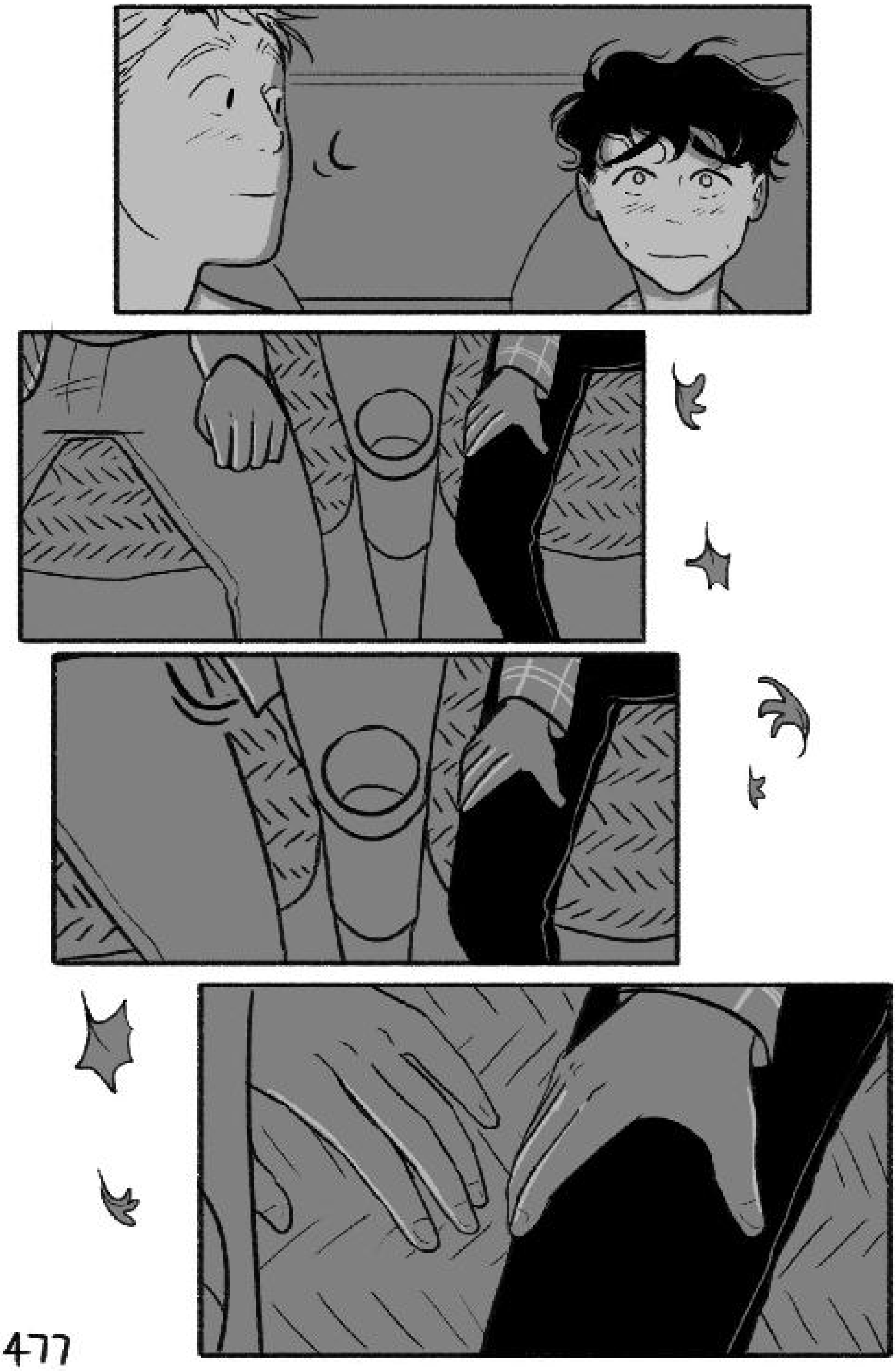

Seriously, Char,
are you okay?
only
I honestly had no idea he'd be here
I wouldn't have suggested we come if I'd known
"Char"?

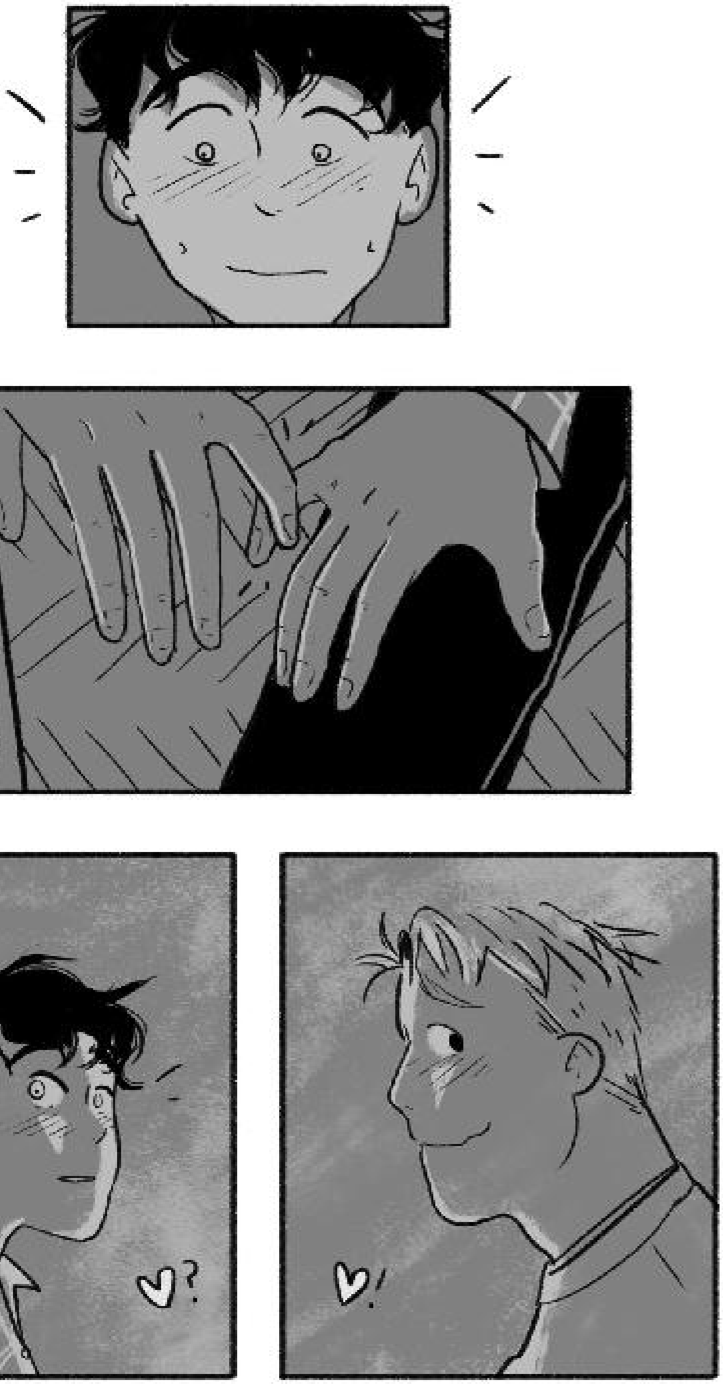

Oh... er, wow, th-that just slipped out-
Oh my GOD, say it again!!
NO!!
Go onnnnn
No!!!
I like it. It's cute.
Now I'm never calling you it again

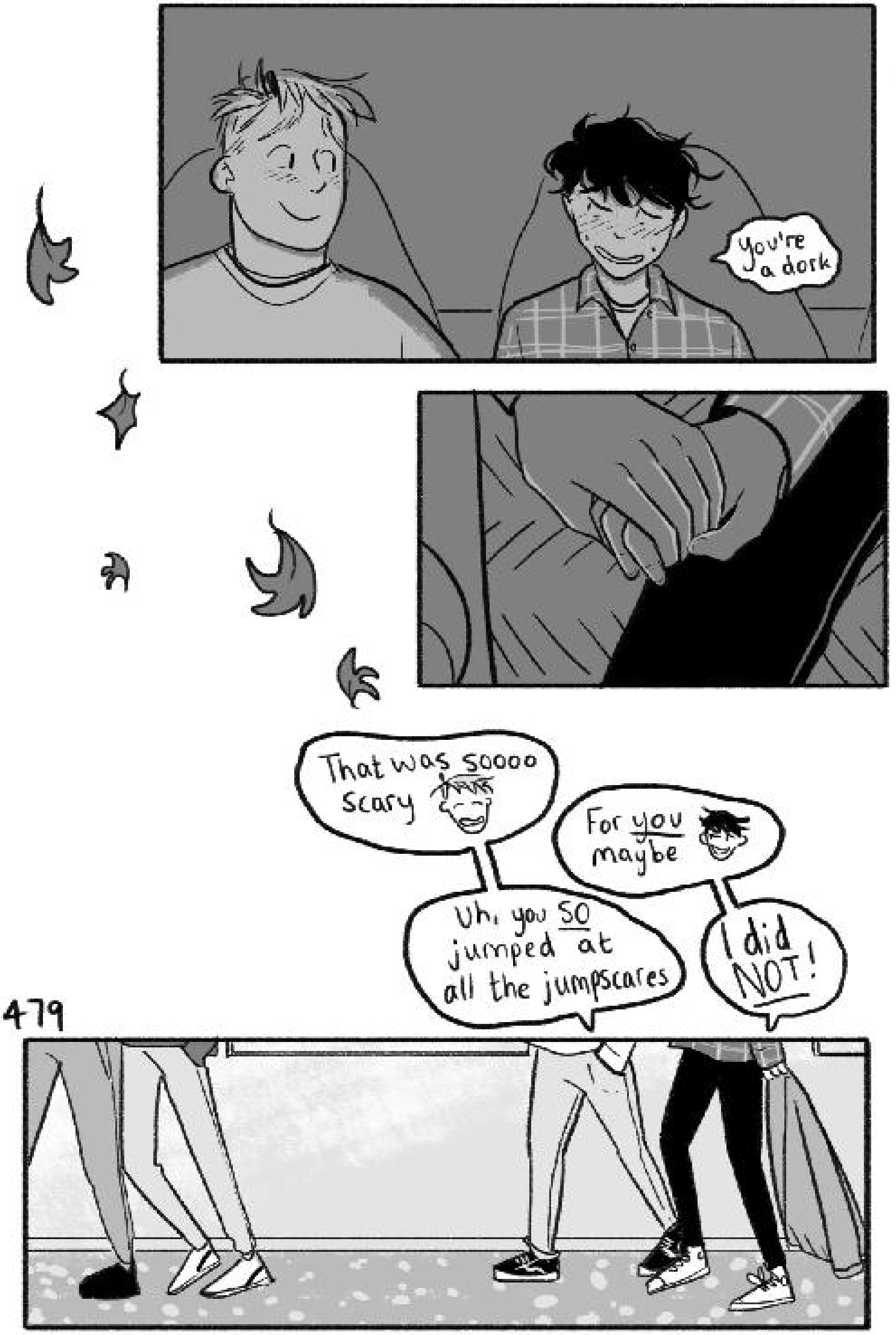



ha ha ha!
only


Sorry
...
...






You're a dork
That was soooo scary
For you maybe
Uh, you SO jumped at all the jumpscares
I did NOT!
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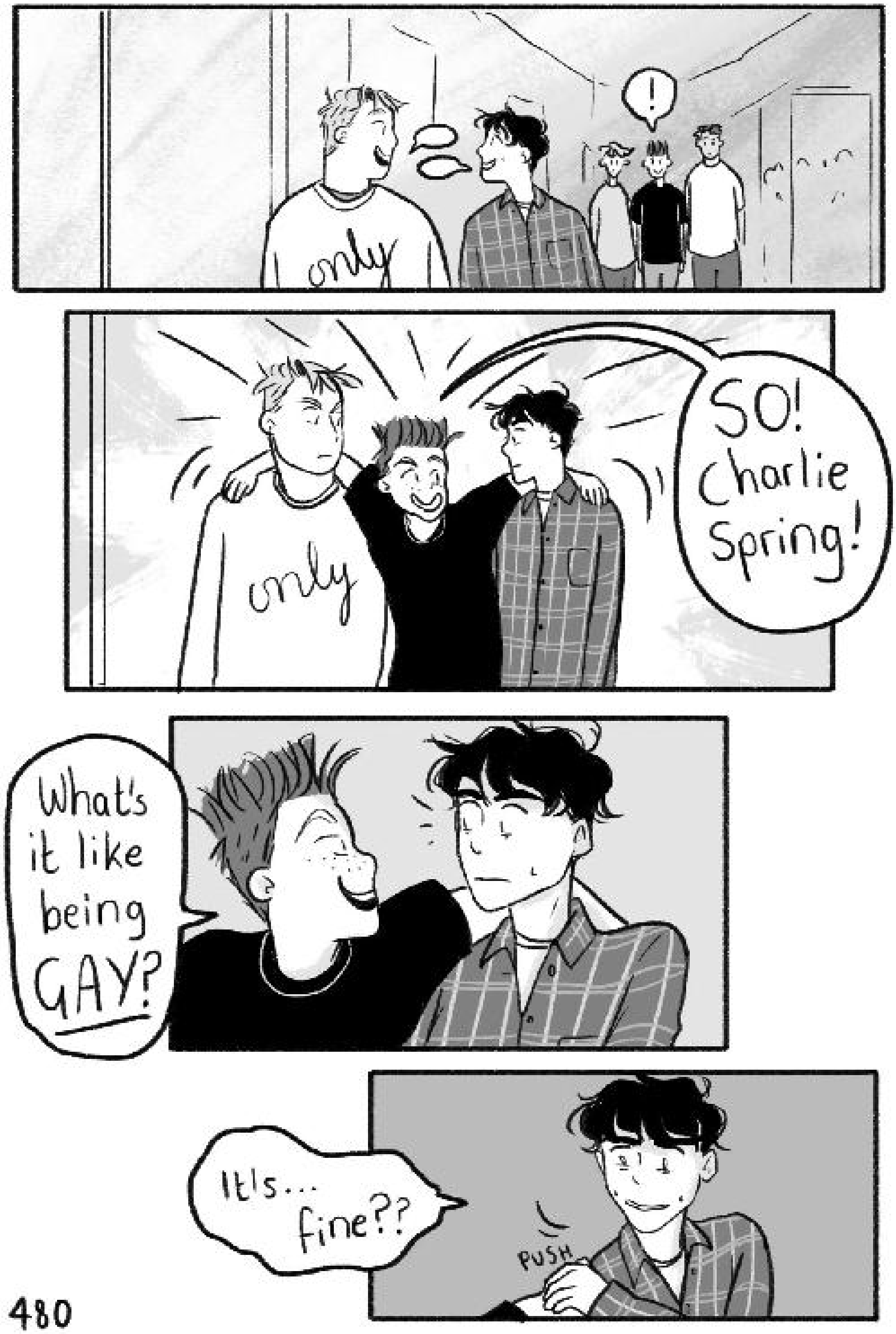
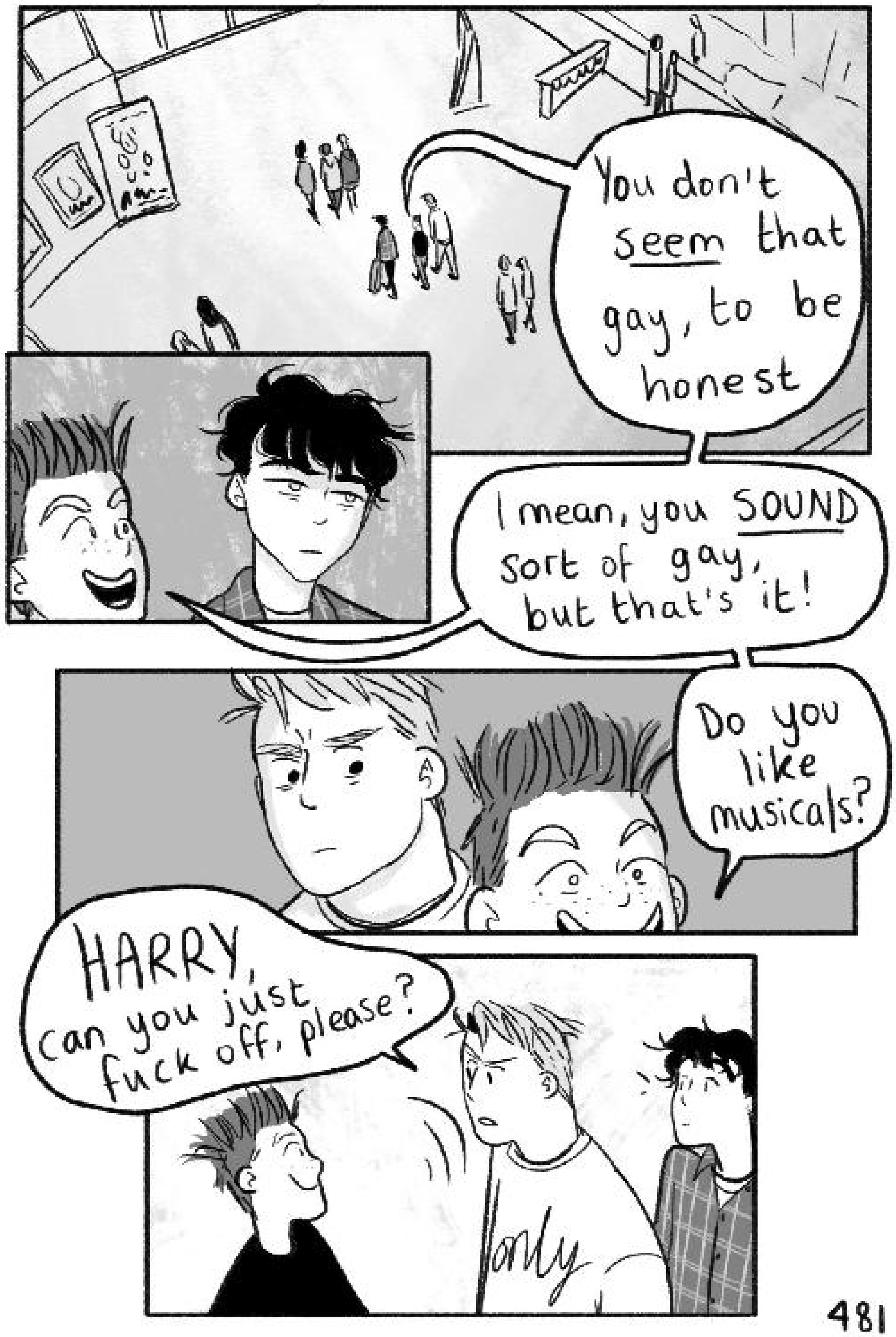

!
SO! Charlie Spring!
What's it like being GAY?
It's... fine??
PUSH


You don't seem that gay, to be honest
I mean, you SOUND sort of gay, but that's it!
Do you like musicals?
HARRY, can you just fuck off, please?
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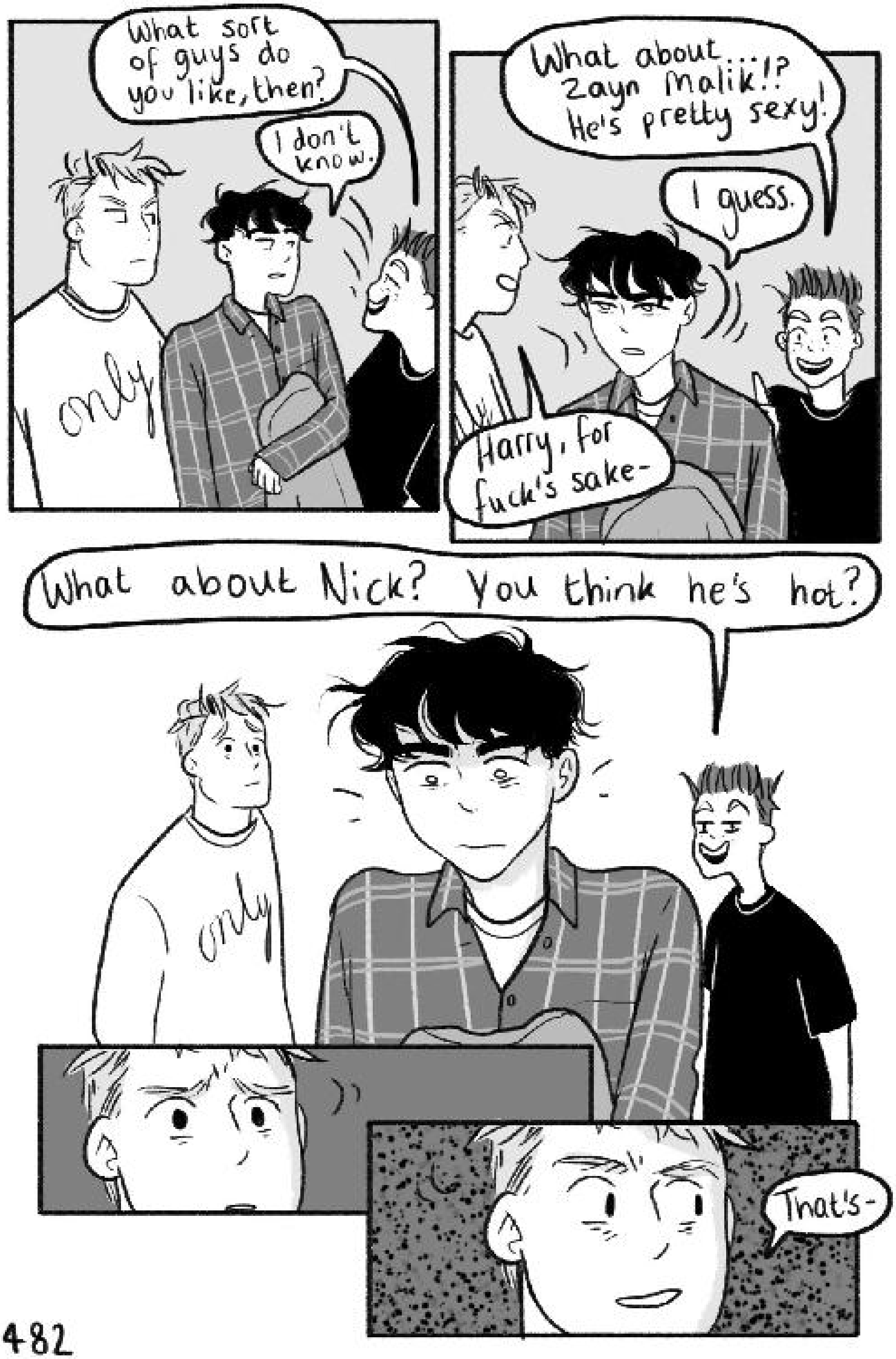
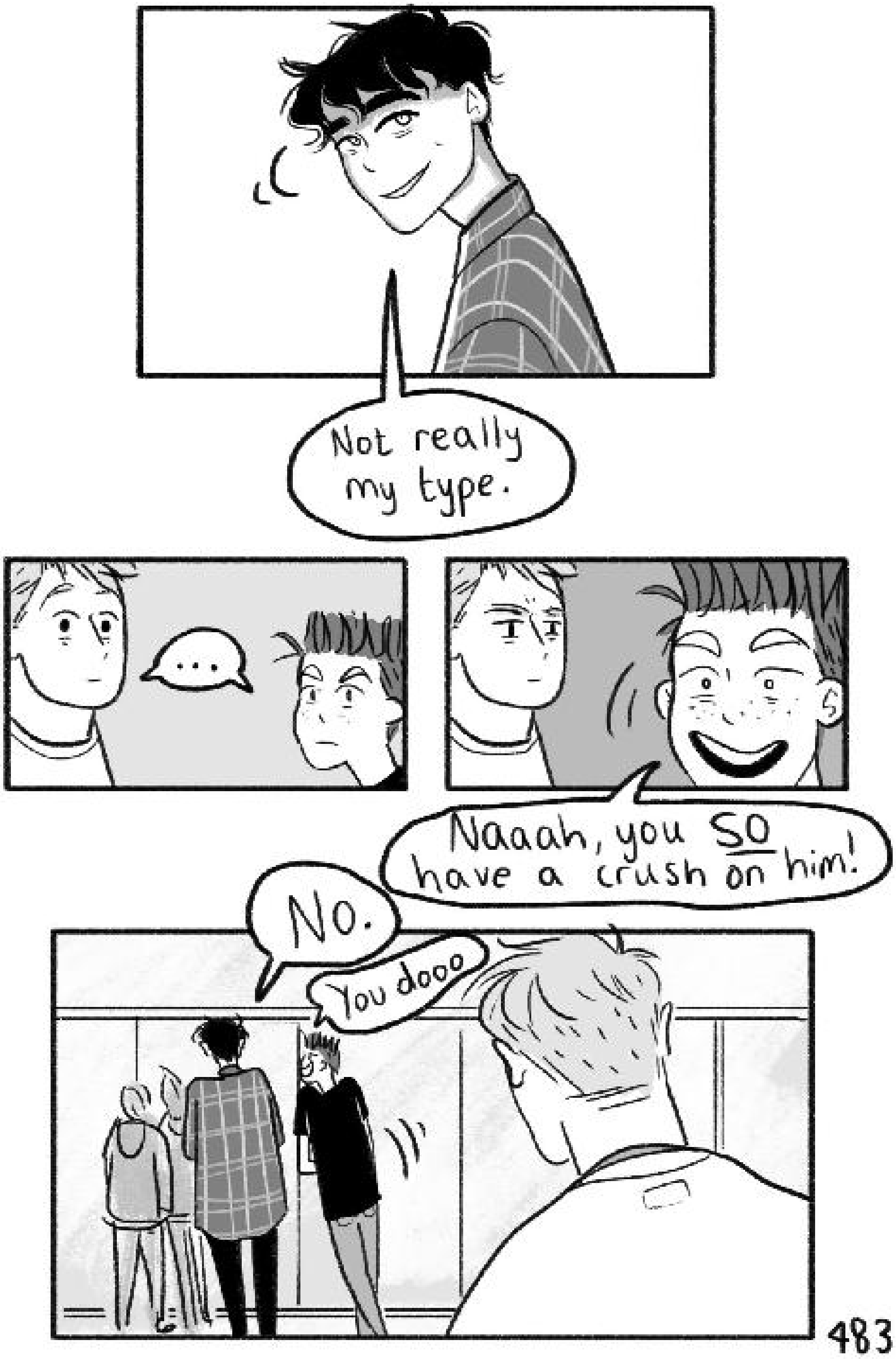
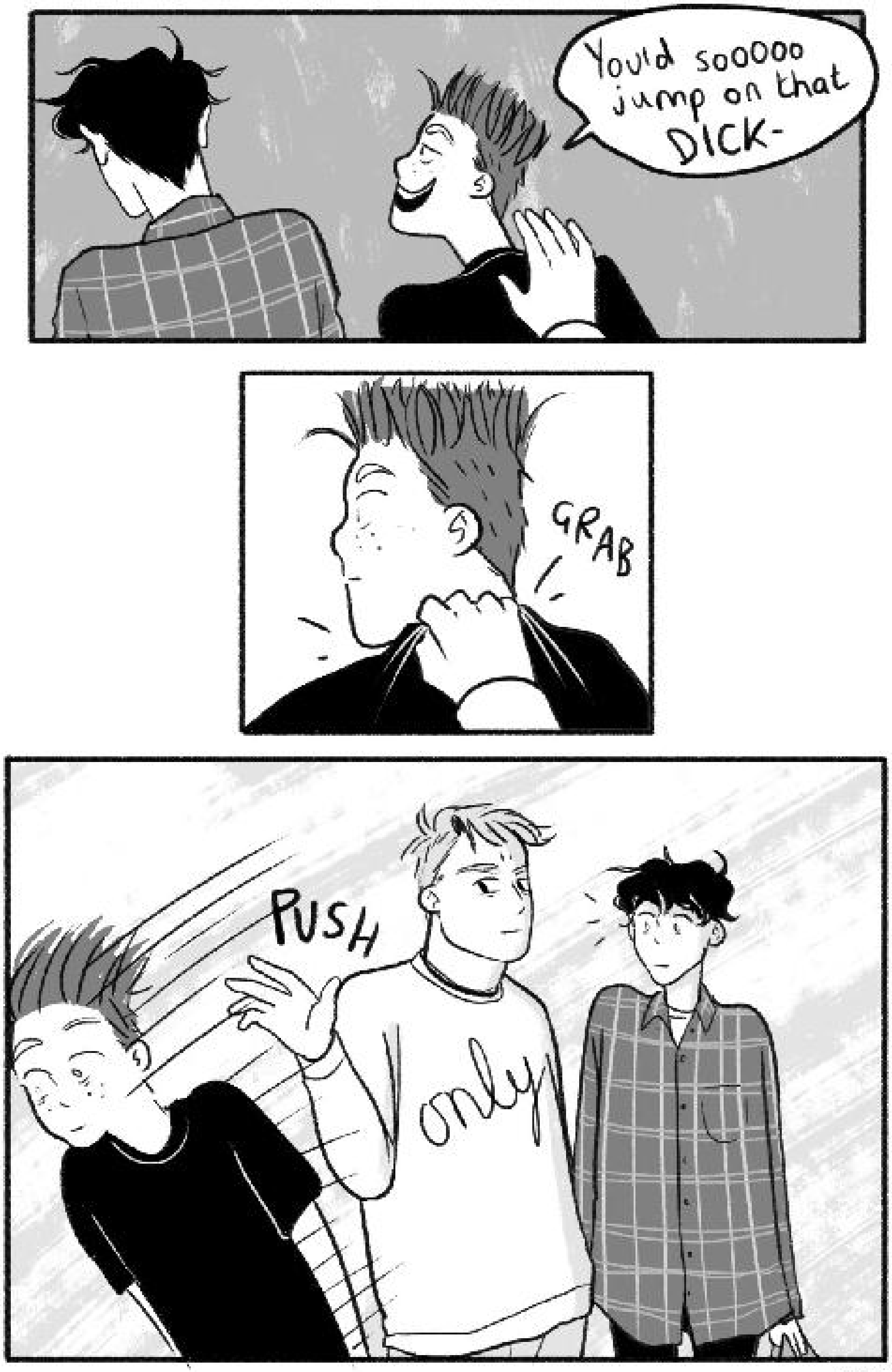
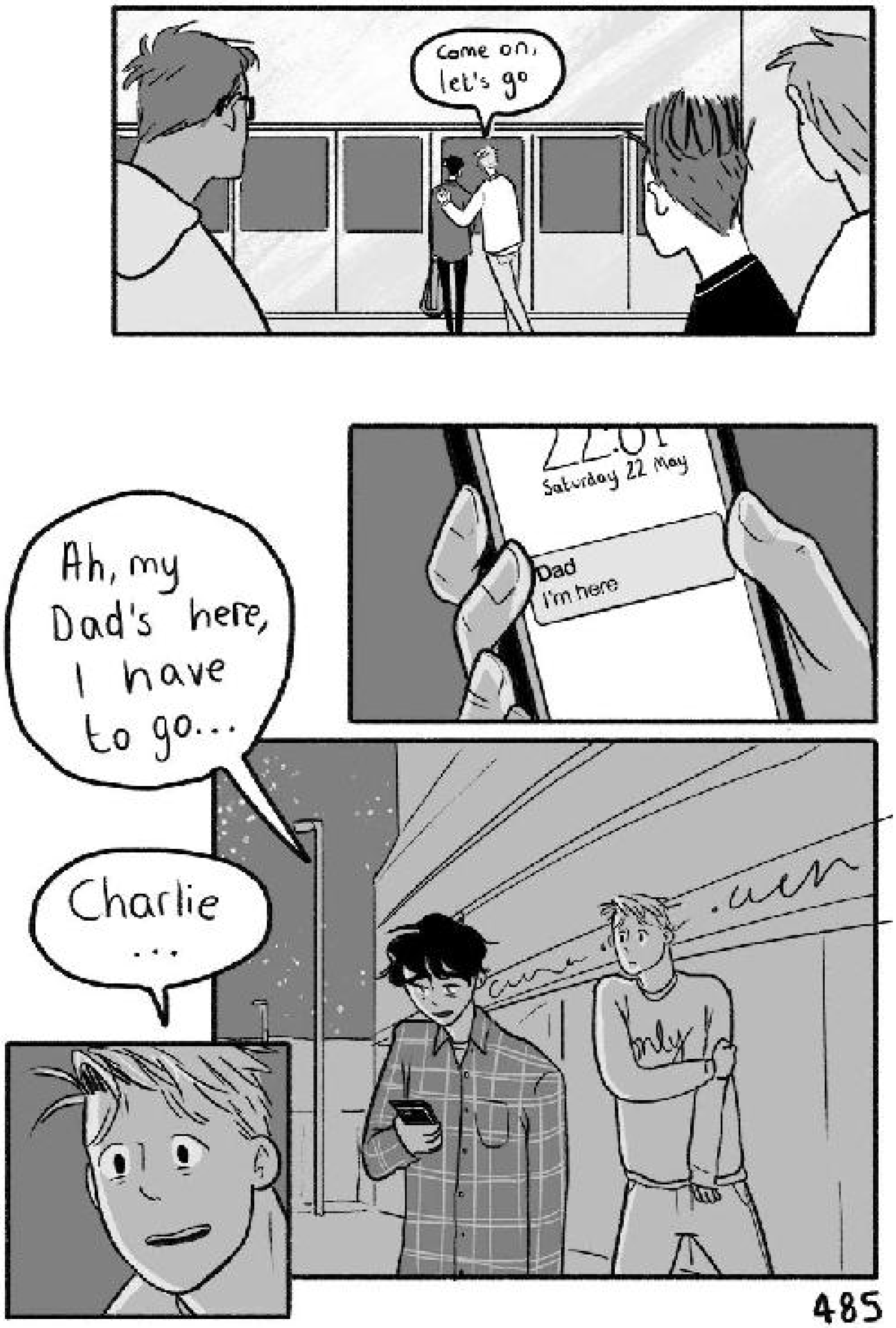
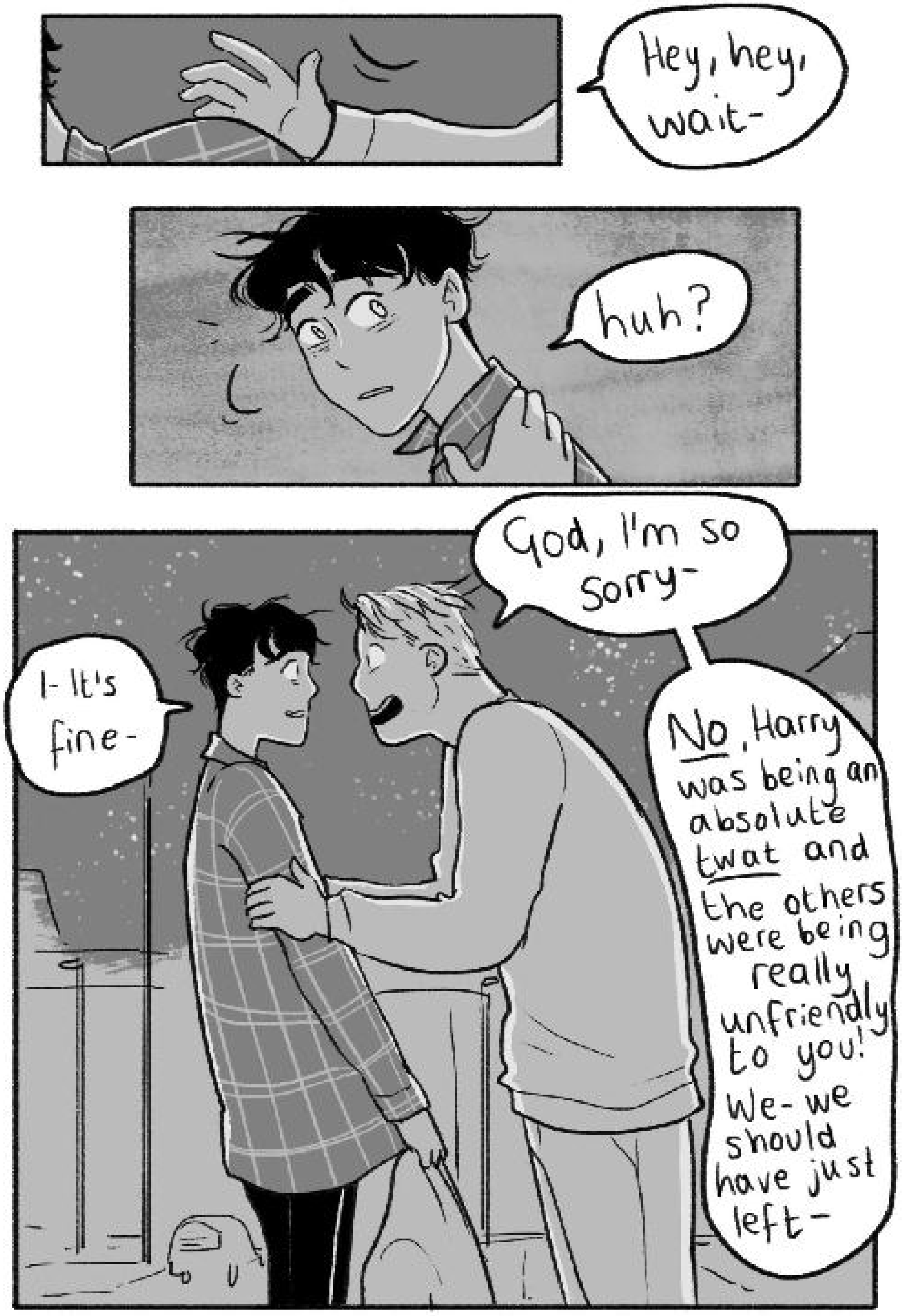
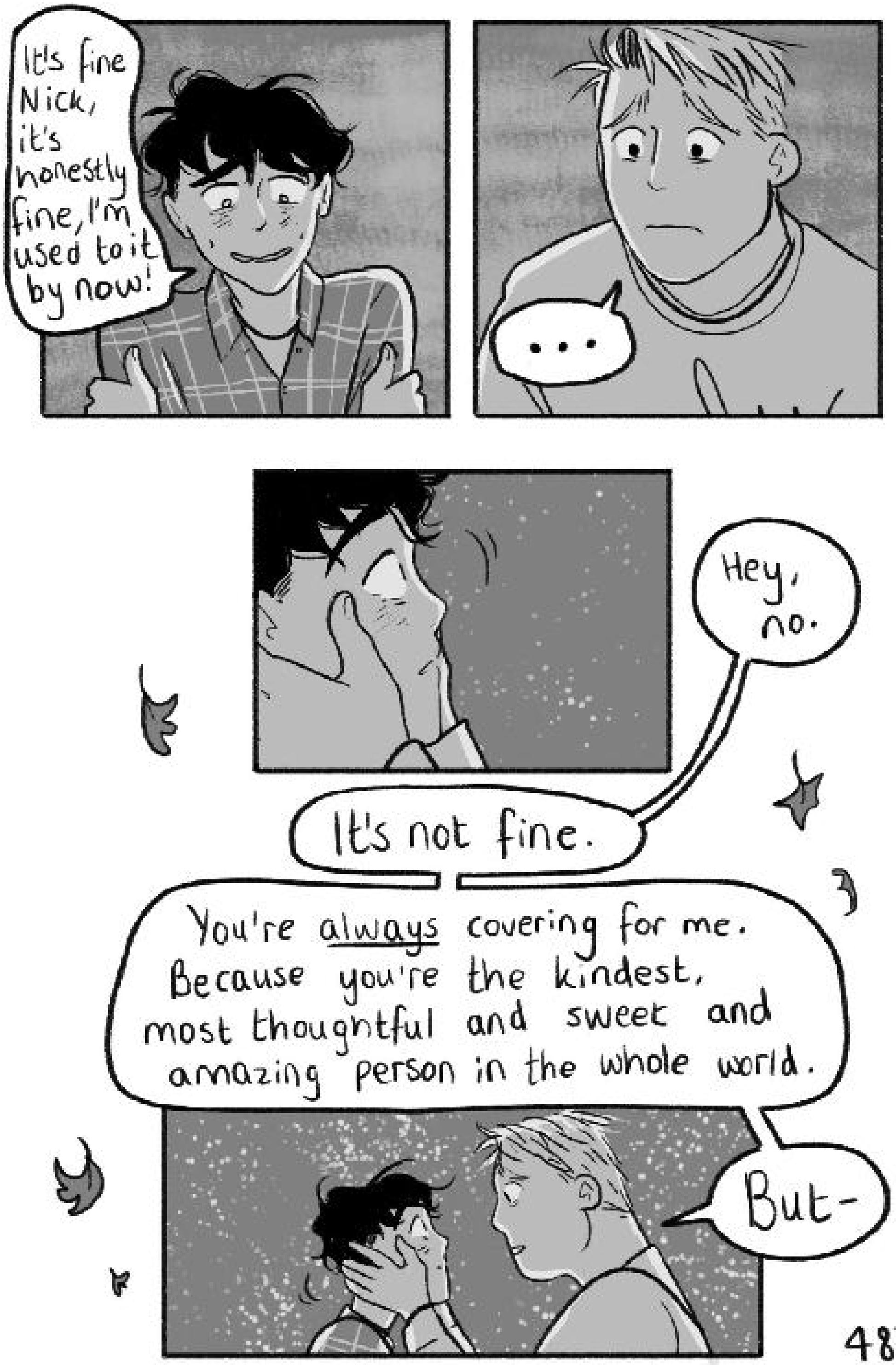

What sort of guys do you like, then?
I don't know.
What about...Zayn Malik!? He's pretty sexy!
I guess.
Harry, for fuck's sake-
What about Nick? You think he's hot?
That's-

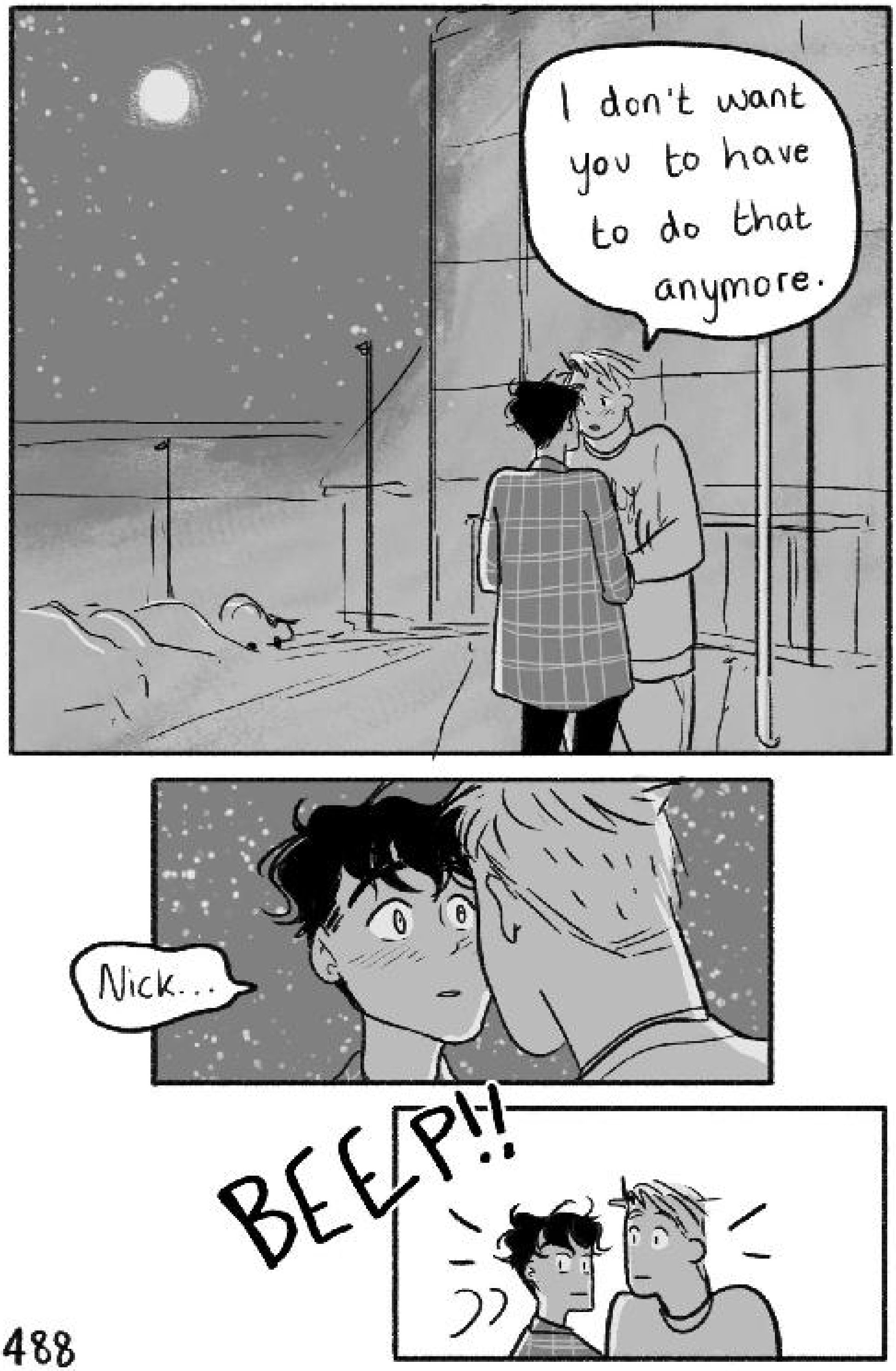

Not really my type.
...
Naaah, you SO have a crush on him!
No.
You dooo

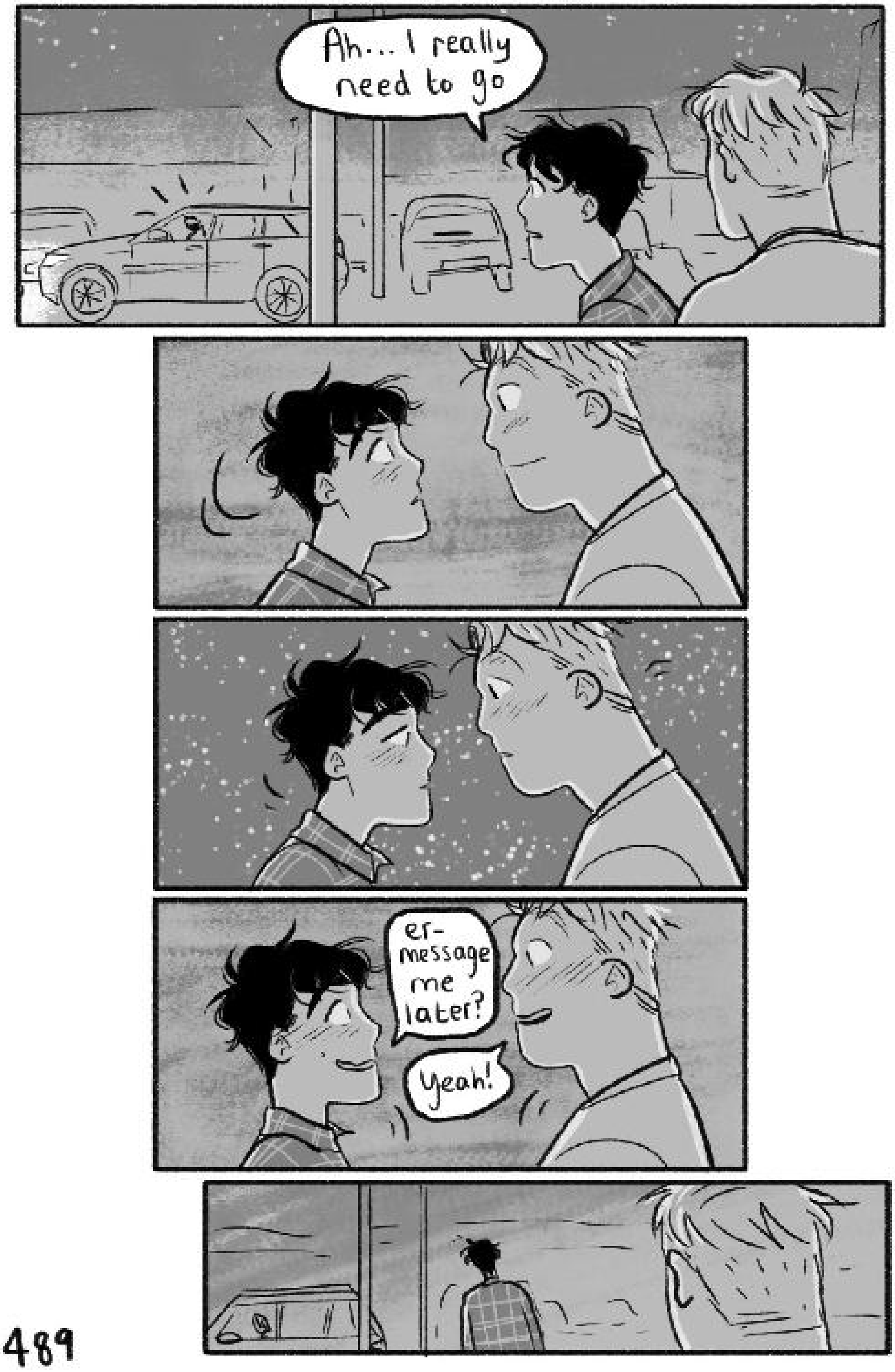

You'd sooooo jump on that DICK-
GRAB
PUSH
only

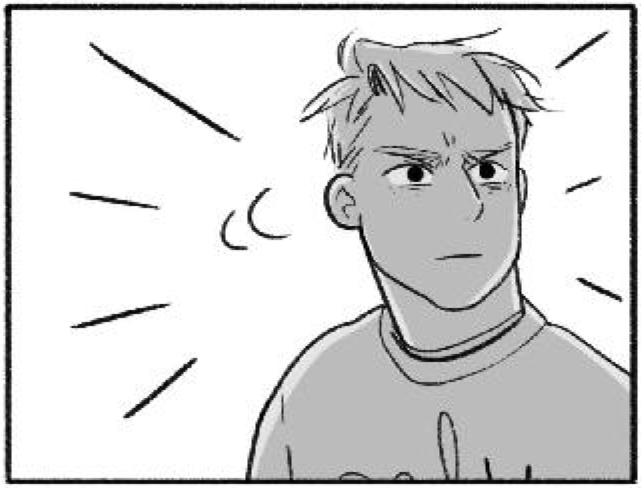

Come on, let's go
Saturday 22 May
Dad
I'm here
Ah, my Dad's here, I have to go...
Charlie ...
only

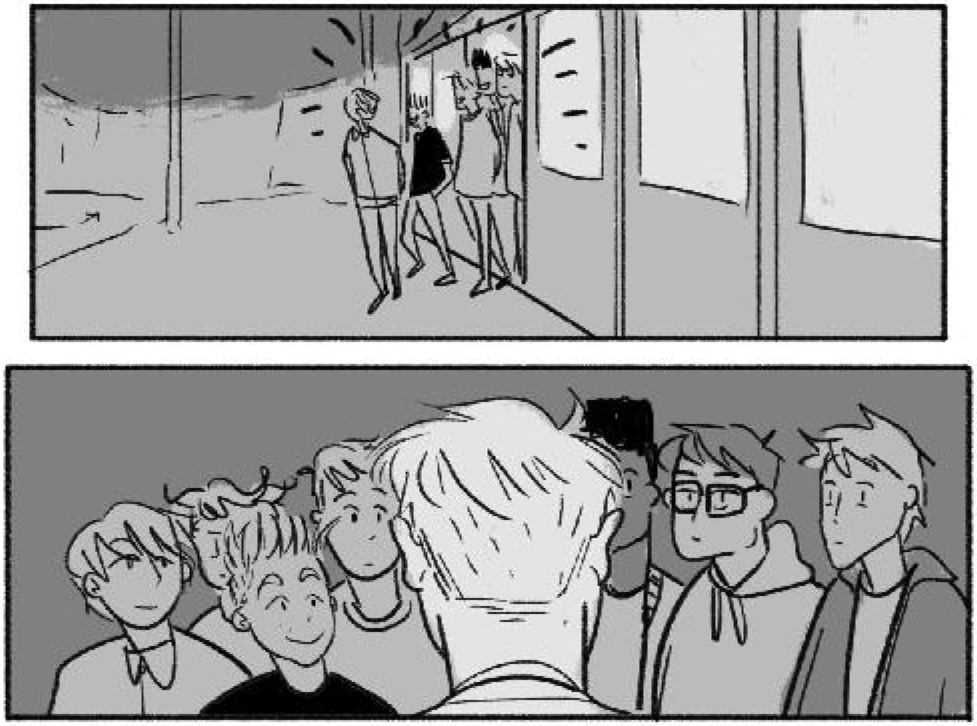

Hey, hey, wait-
huh?
God, I'm so sorry-
I- It's fine-
No, Harry was being an absolute twat and the others were being really unfriendly to you! We- we should have just left-


It's fine Nick, it's honestly fine, I'm used to it by now!
...
Hey, no.
It's not fine.
You're always covering for me. Because you're the kindest, most thoughtful and sweet and amazing person in the whole world.
But-


I don't want you to have to do that anymore.
Nick...
BEEP!!


Ah... I really need to go
er- message me later?
Yeah!





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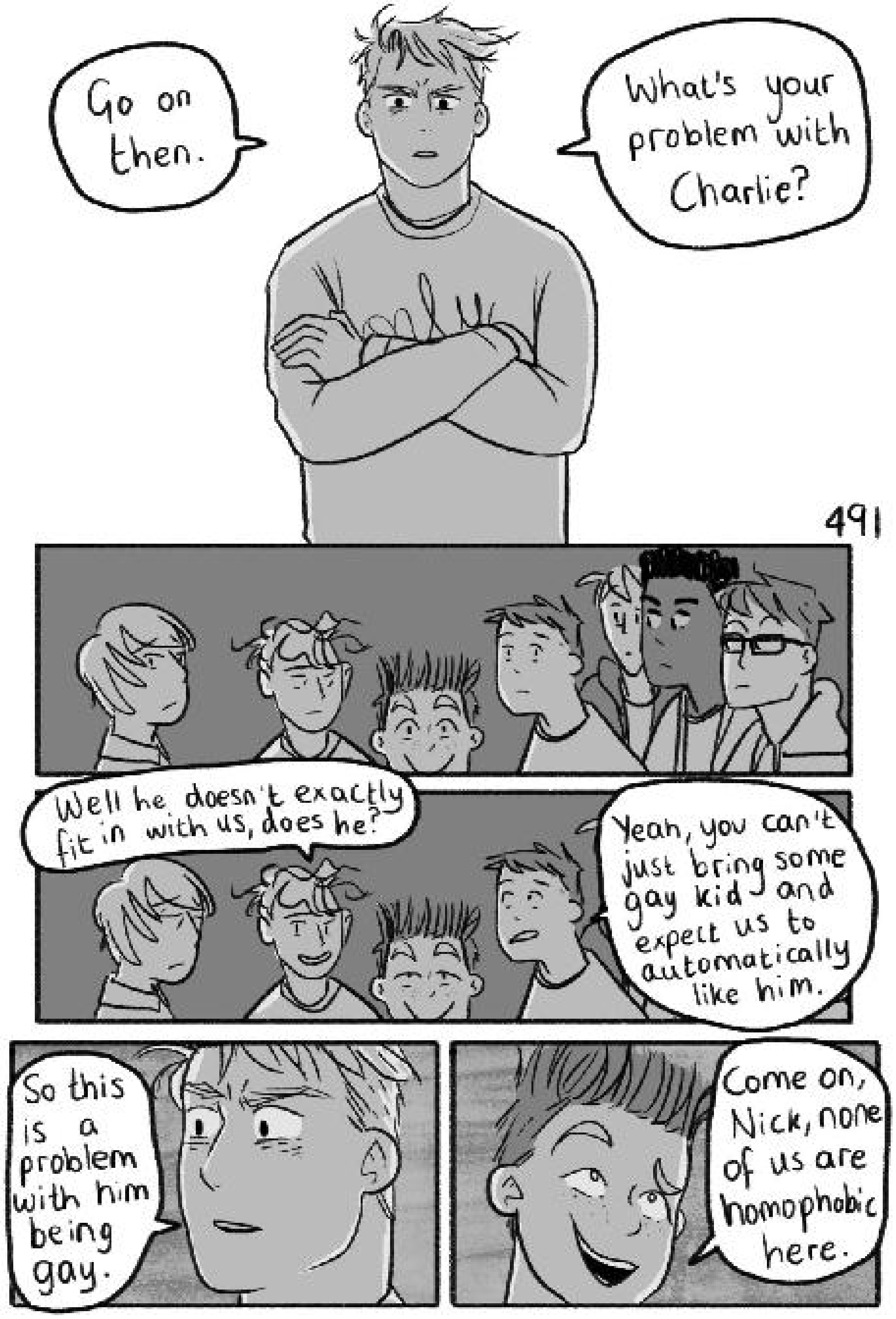
Go on then.
What's your problem with Charlie?
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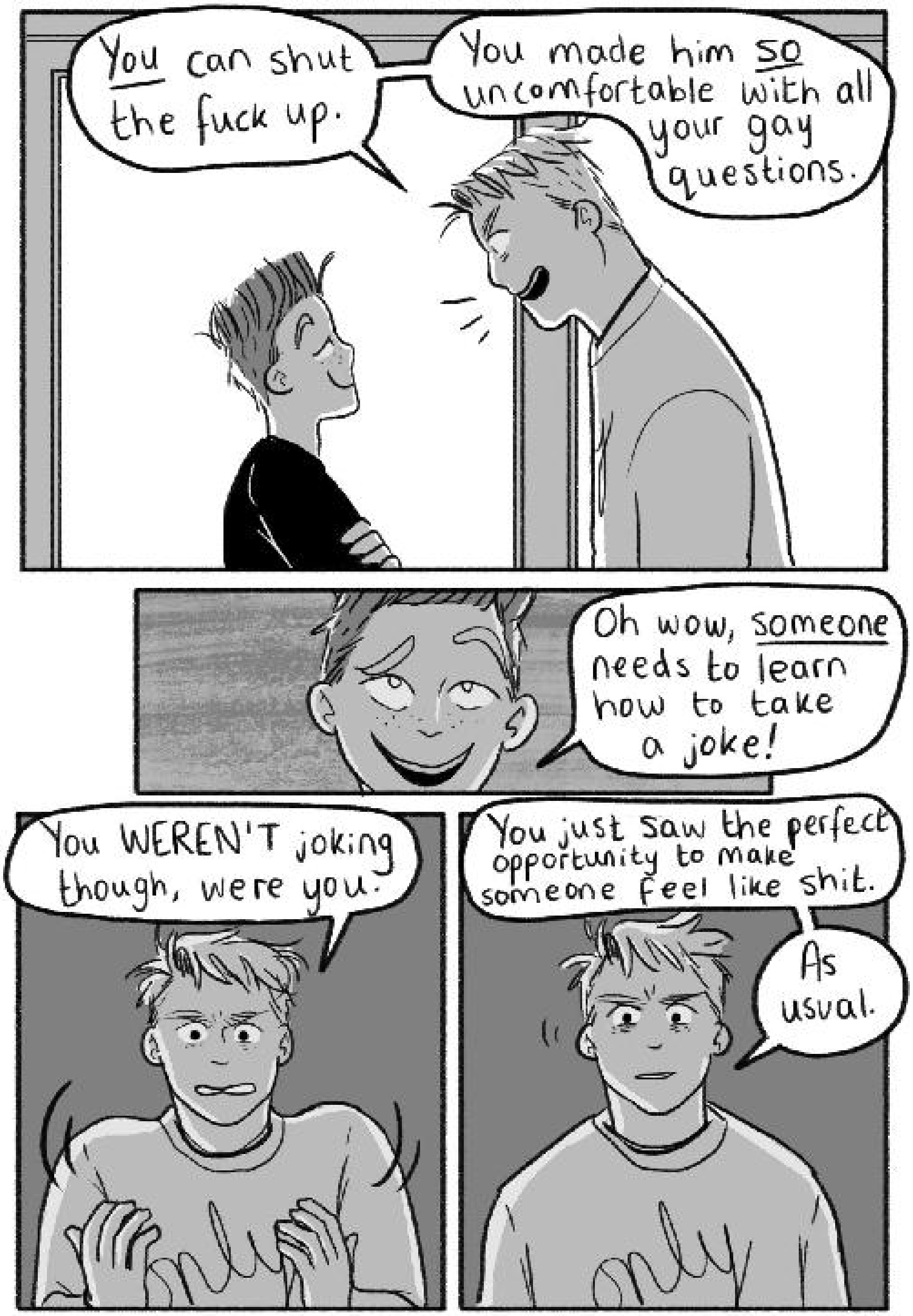
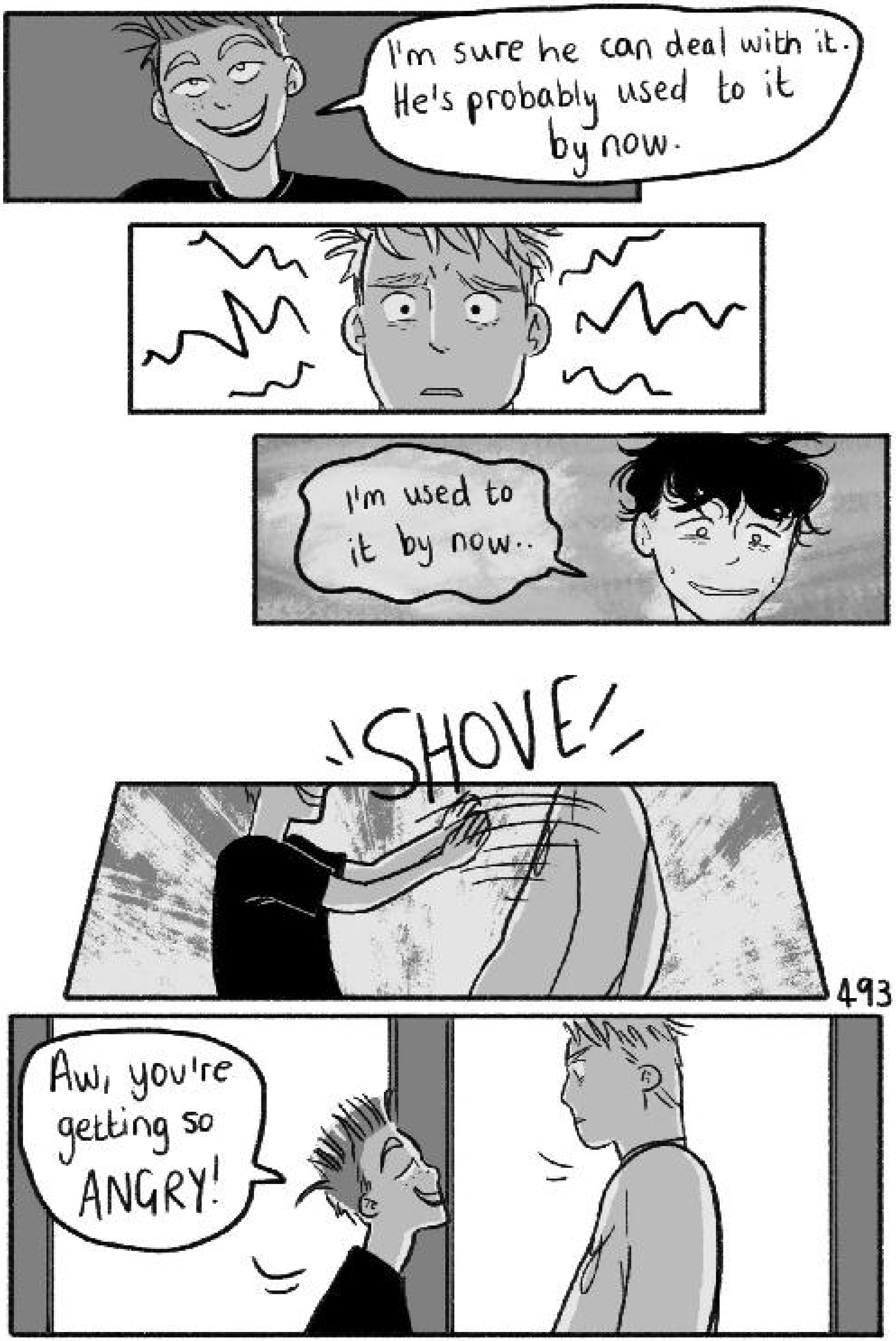
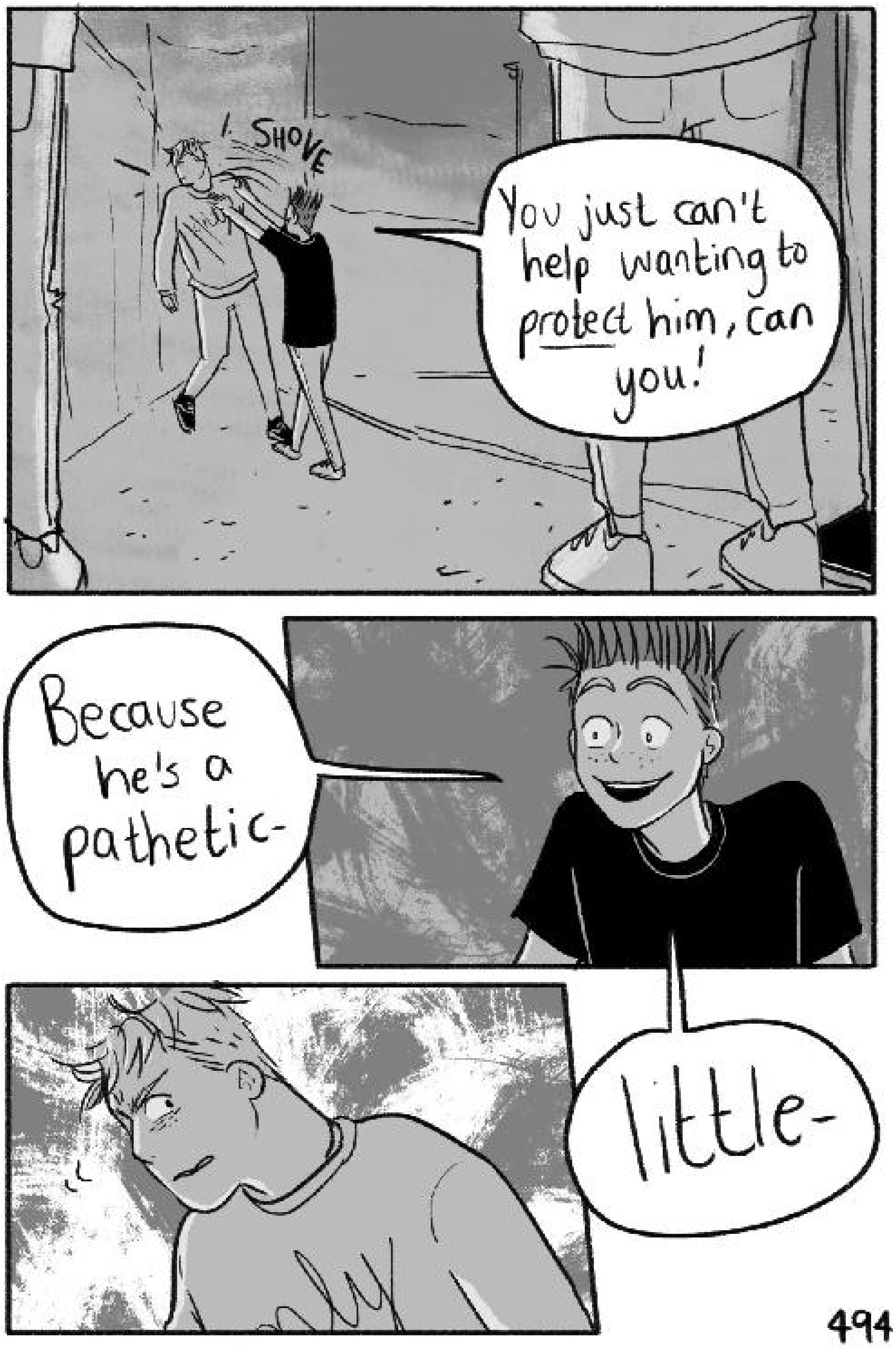
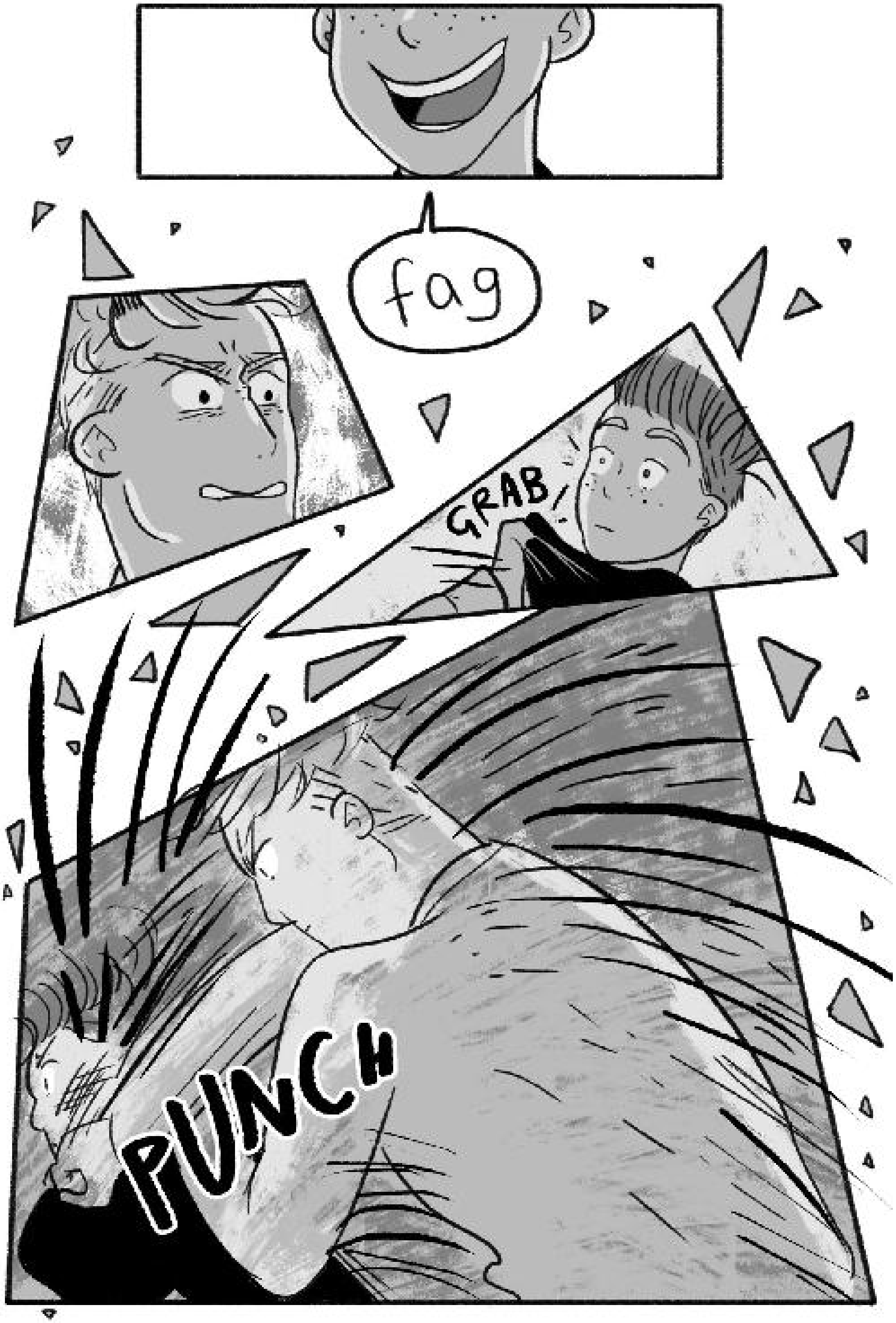
Well he doesn't exactly fit in with us, does he?
Yeah, you can't just bring some gay kid and expect us to automatically like him.
So this is a problem with him being gay.
Come on, Nick, none of us are homophobic here.


You can shut the fuck up.
You made him SO uncomfortable with all your gay questions.
Oh wow, someone needs to learn how to take a joke!
You WEREN'T joking though, were you.
You just saw the perfect opportunity to make someone feel like shit.
As usual.
only
only


I'm sure he can deal with it. He's probably used to it by now.
I'm used to it by now..
SHOVE
Aw, you're getting so ANGRY!


SHOVE
You just can't help wanting to protect him, can you!
Because he's a pathetic-
little-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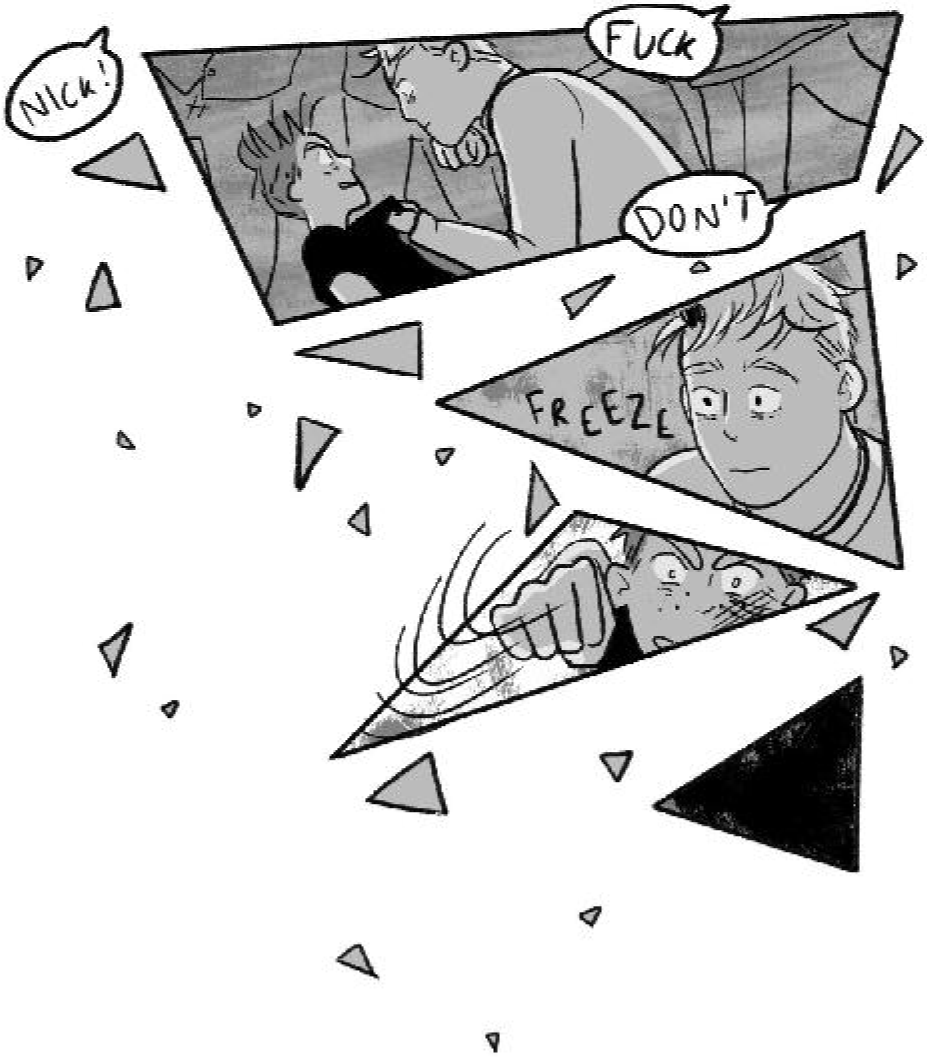
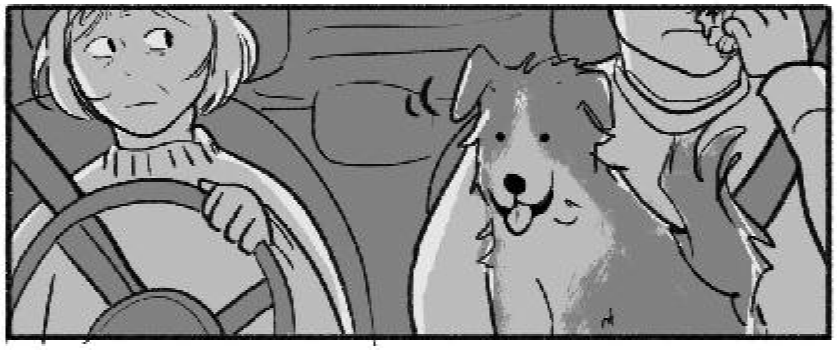
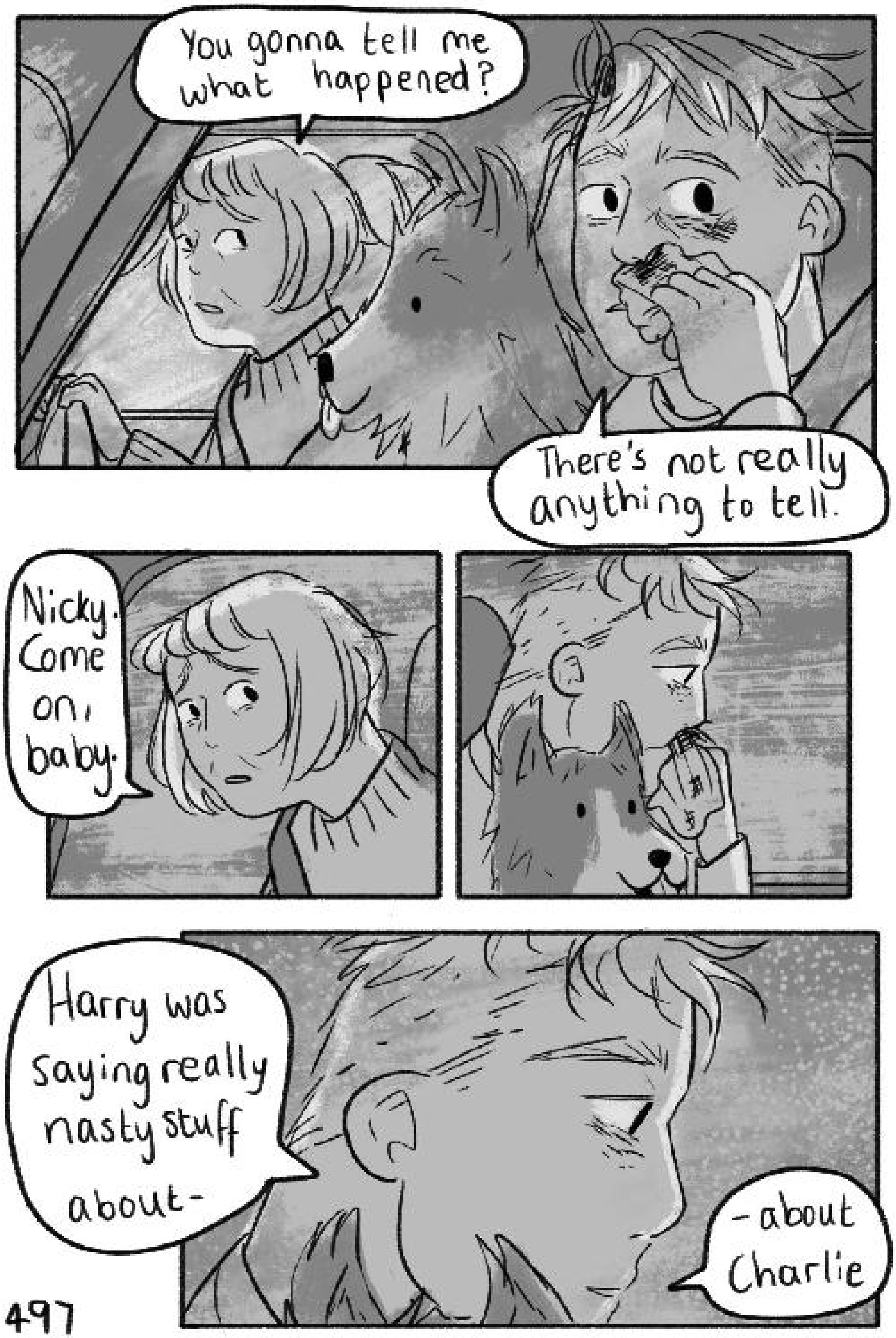
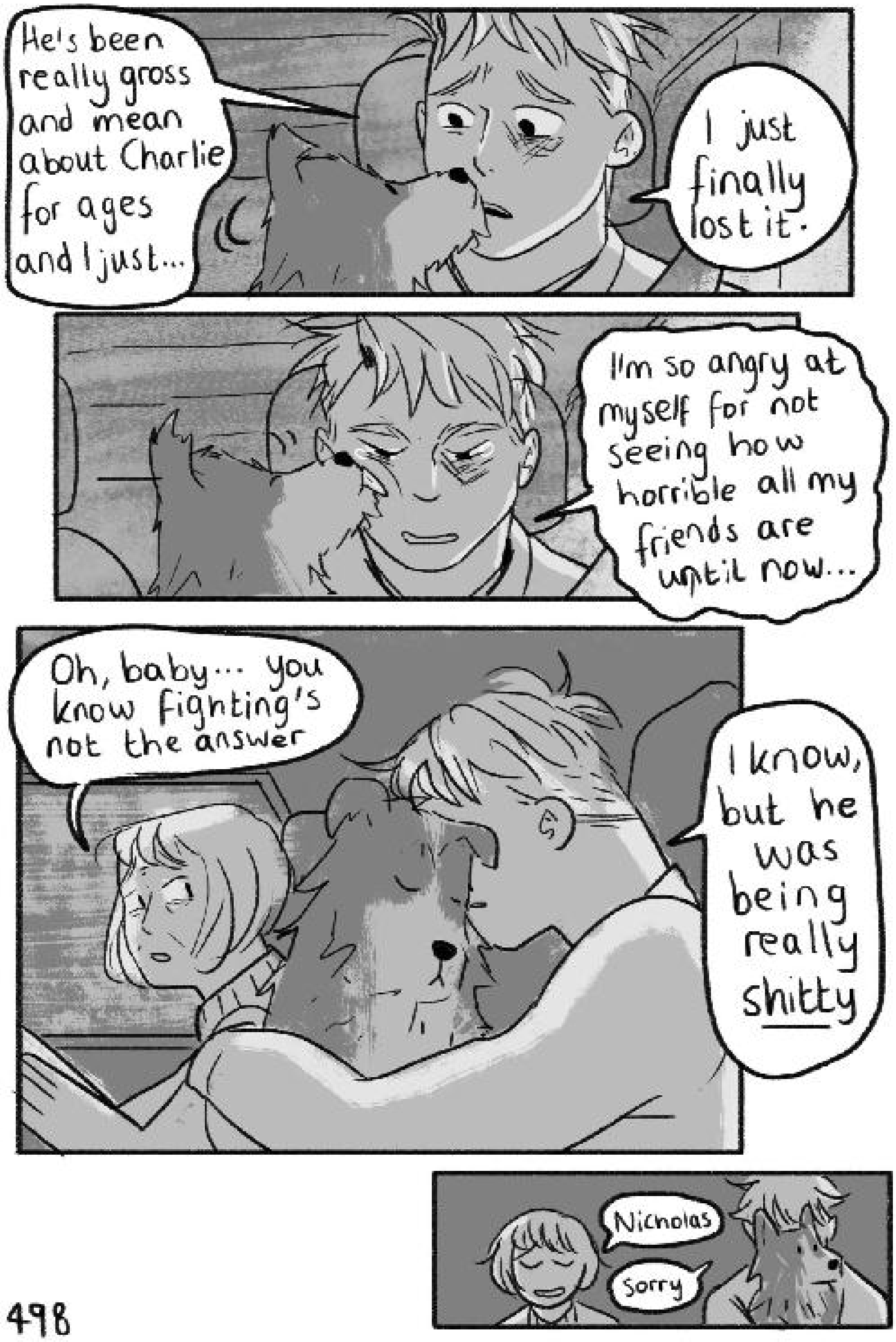
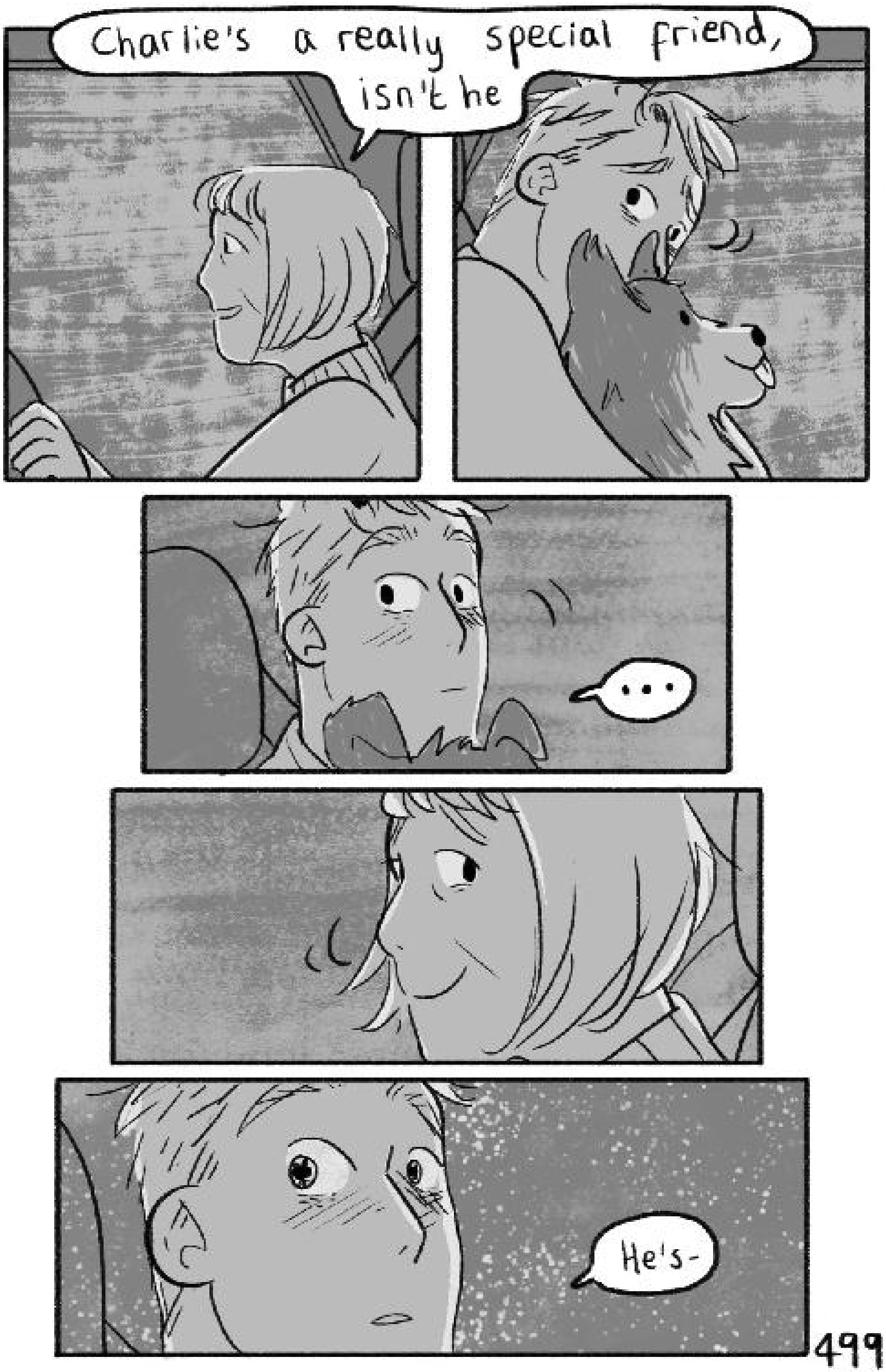
GRAB
PUNCH

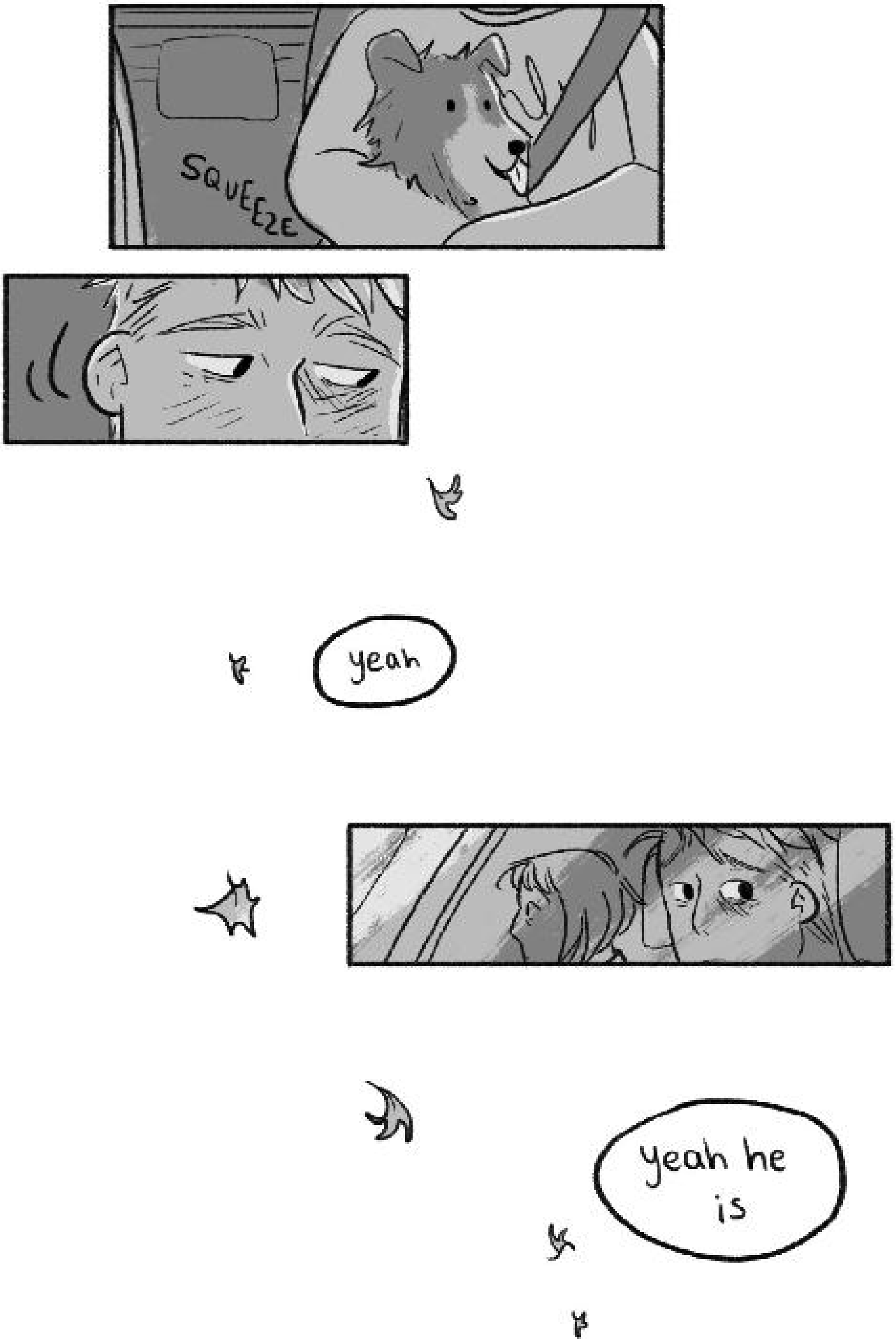

NICK!
FUCK
DON'T
FREEZE

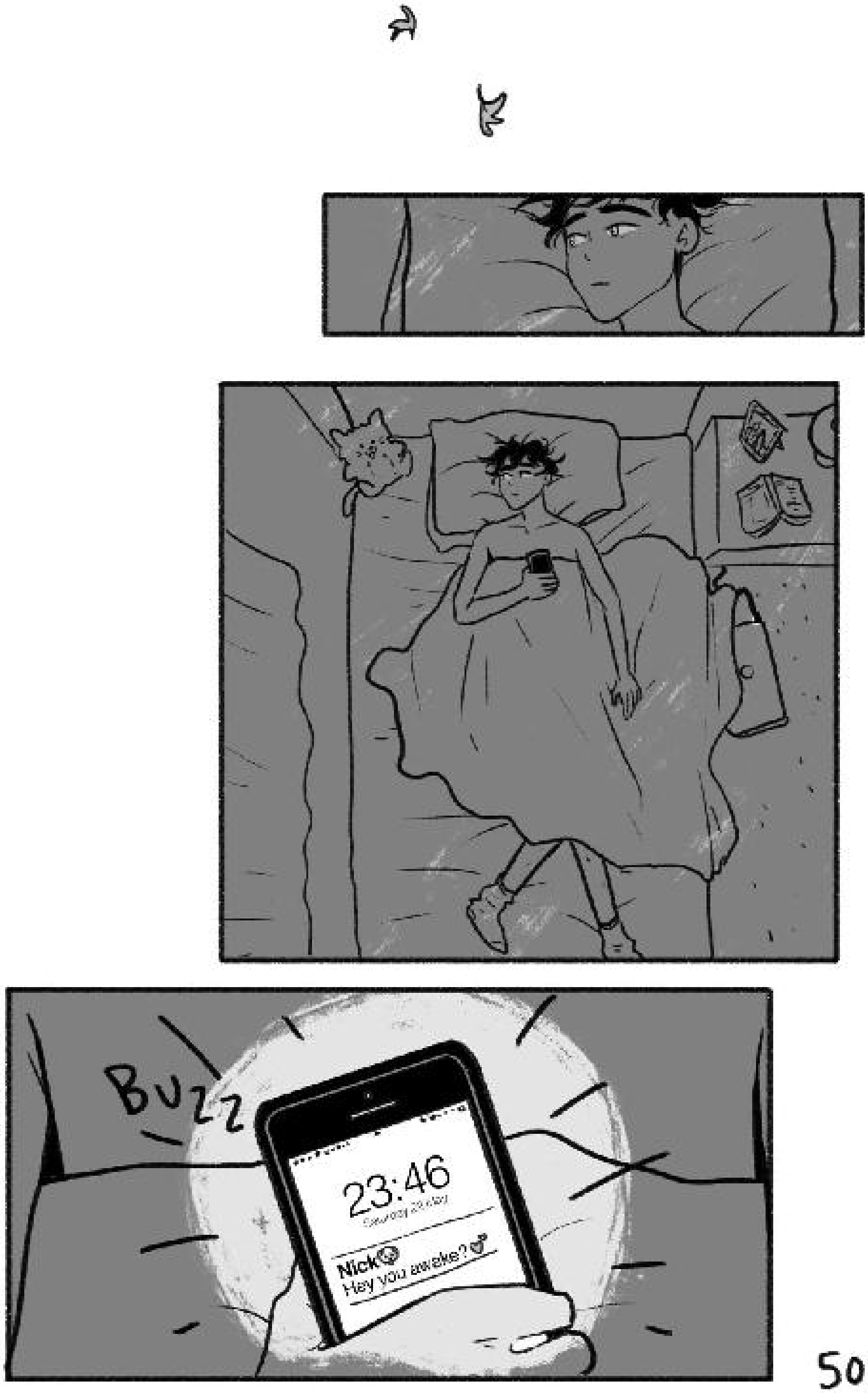



You gonna tell me what happened?
There's not really anything to tell.
Nicky. Come on, baby.
Harry was saying really nasty stuff about-
-about Charlie


He's been really gross and mean about Charlie for ages and I just...
I just finally lost it.
I'm so angry at myself for not seeing how horrible all my friends are until now...
Oh, baby... you know fighting's not the answer
I know, but he was being really shitty
Nicholas
Sorry


Charlie's a really special friend, isn't he
...
He's-


SQUEEZE
yeah
yeah he is


BUZZ
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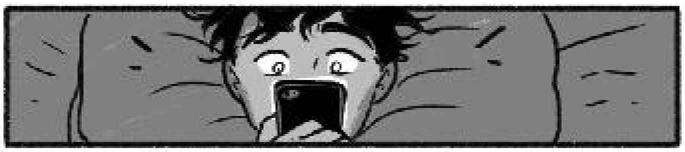
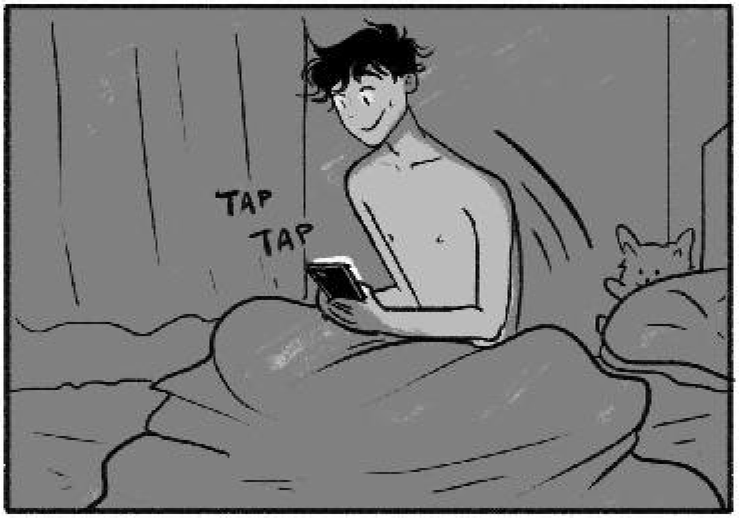
Nick
Hey you awake?



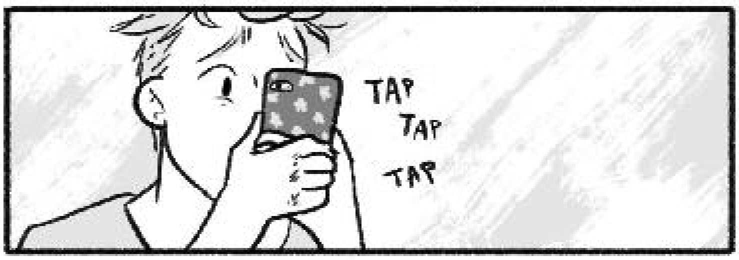


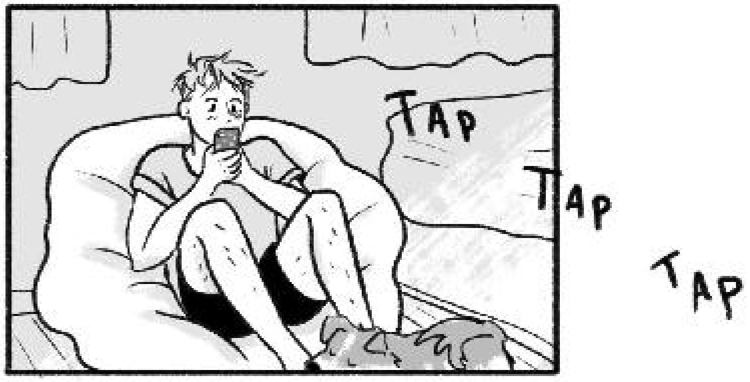
Always haha

I'm so sorry about tonight, all my friends are ASSHOLES

No I'm sorry I shouldn't have agreed to come!!

HEY
NO
YOU'RE NOT ALLOWED TO SAY THE S WORD





I don't want to be friends with those guys anymore. Like I thought if I could show them how cool and lovely you are, they might stop being dicks, but… it didn't work

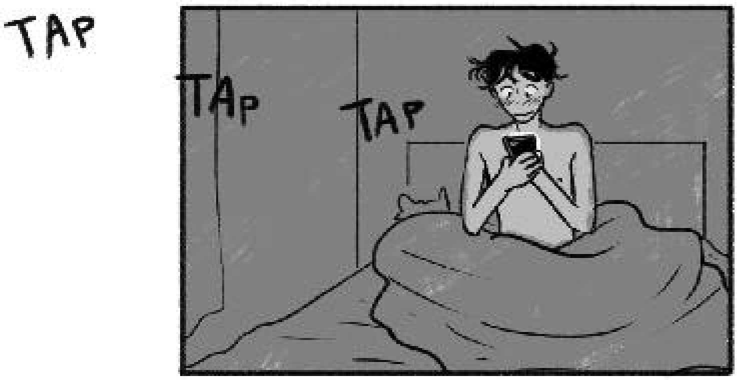
Cool and lovely??

Well you ARE

I don't expect you to dump your friends for me...

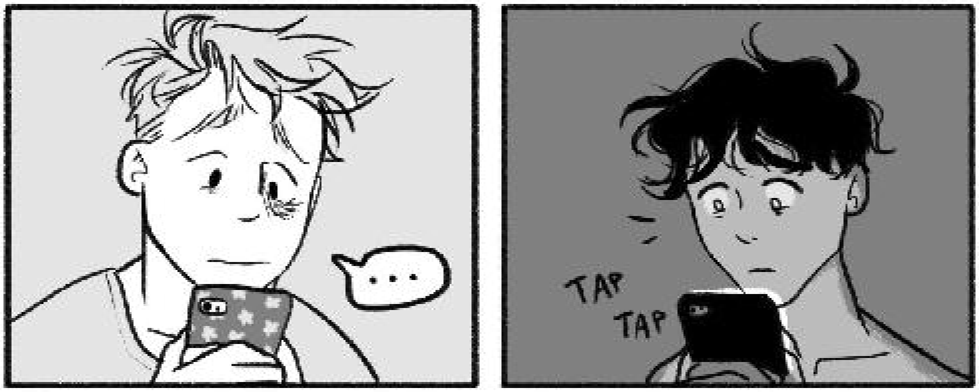
Oh they're dumped. They're all dumped. Anyone who's mean to you is officially dumped forEVER

Sai and Christian from rugby are nice! And Omar sometimes!! But yeah… I don't think any of the others like me...



To be honest I don't think I have many good friends... I don't really have any very close friends apart from you

I'm really sorry

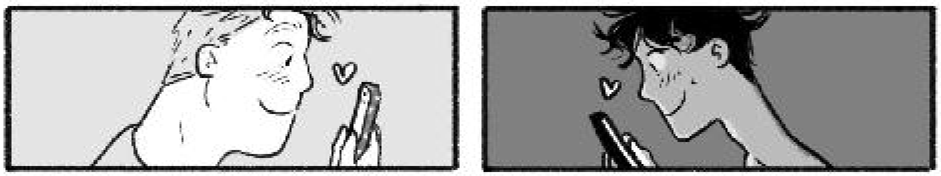


Well I think my friends want to adopt you into our friendship group 😃

Omg

They liked me then?? Because they're all so nice and I definitely wanna hang out with them more!!

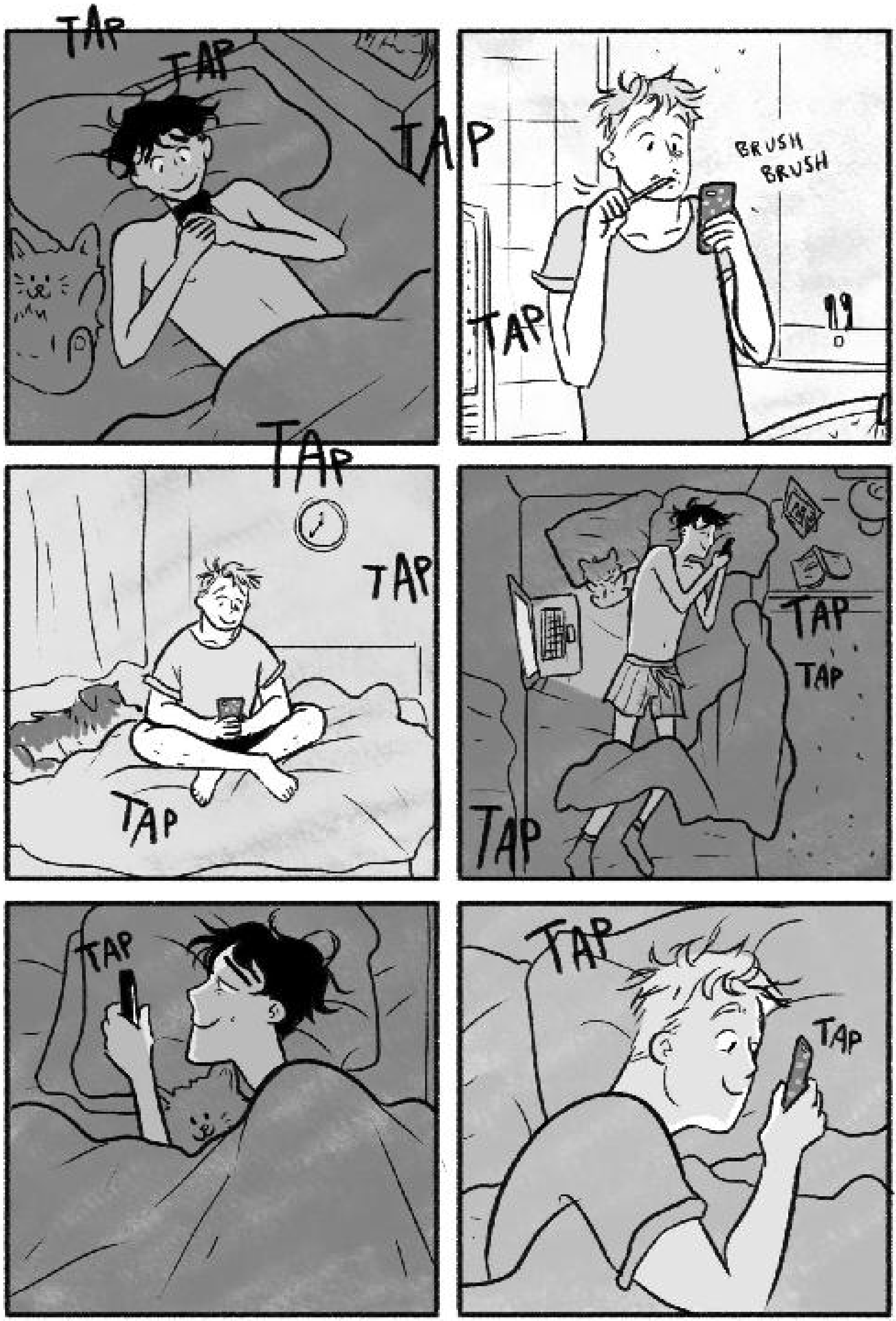
Of course they liked you Nick you are the loveliest person in the whole entire world



Um excuse me I think you already have that role pretty much filled thank you very much

SSHHH don't make me flustered

😘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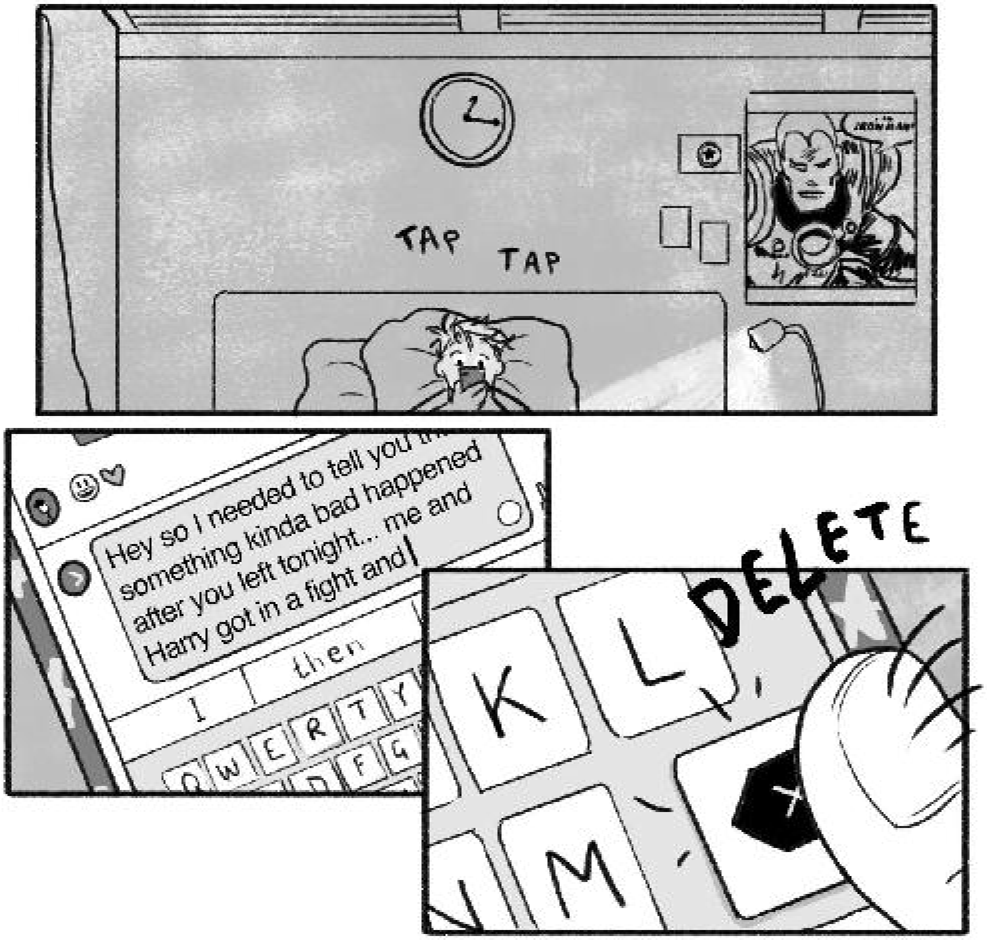


Hey so I needed to tell you th
something kinda bad happened
after you left tonight... me and
Harry got in a fight and

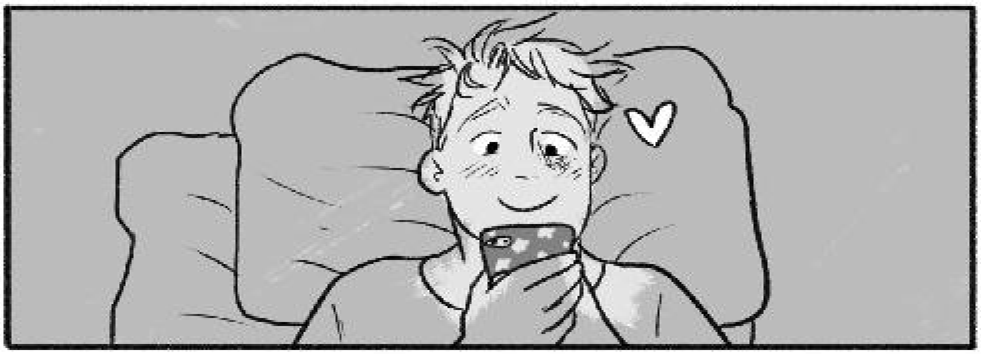
You still ok to come over tomorrow?? 😃

Because I sorta have an idea

Do you wanna go on a proper date?

Omg... Formally asking me out.... This sounds slightly more sophisticated than just making out in our bedrooms

but yes of cOURSE



what shall we do? 😃

Can I make it a surprise??

Omg okay!! I'm so excited alkjsdfldsg

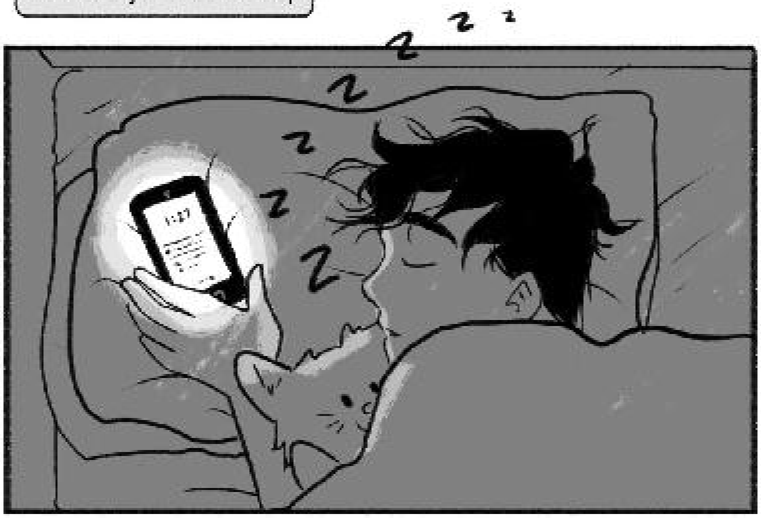
Nick I like you so much

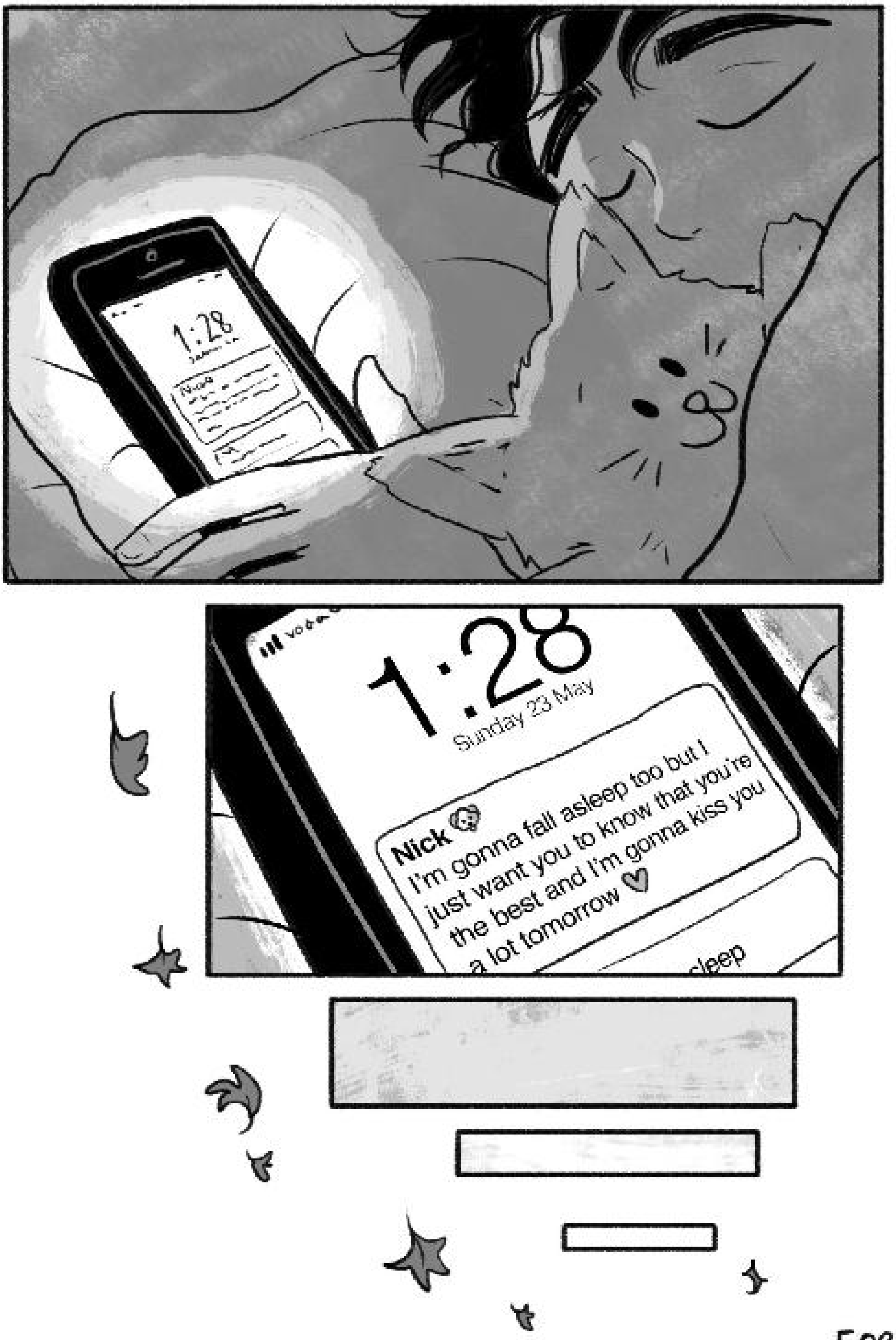
You're my favourite person

You're MY favourite person!!!!!!!!!!

Charlie??

LOL did you fall asleep

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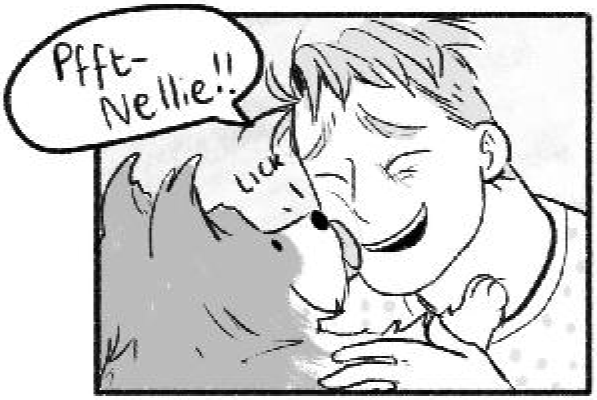
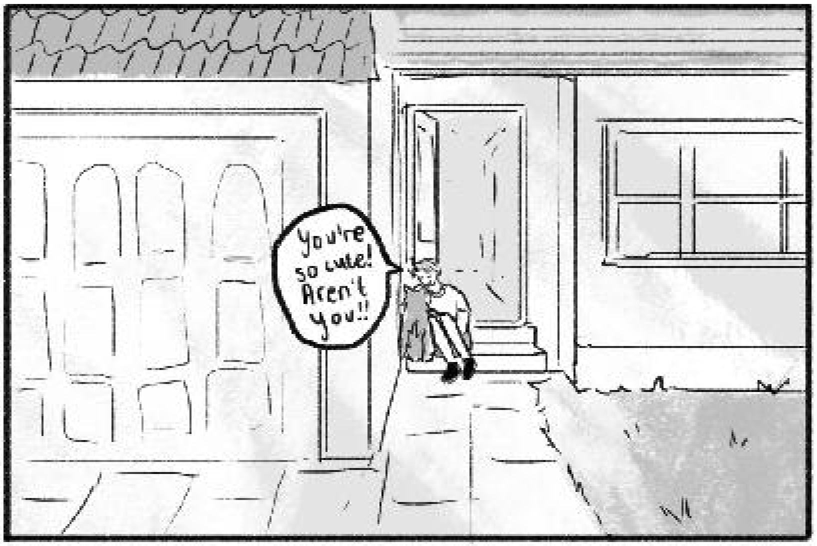
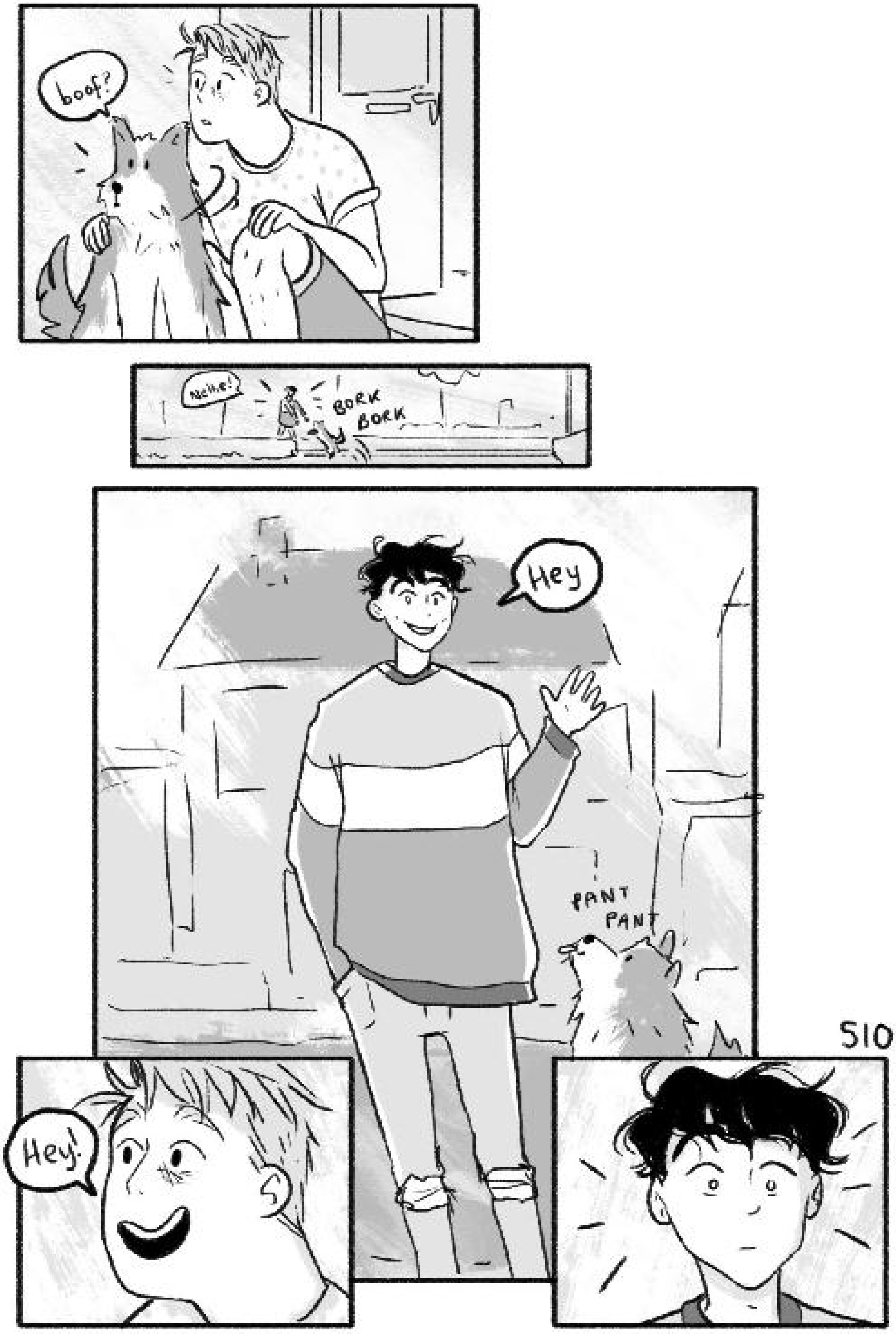
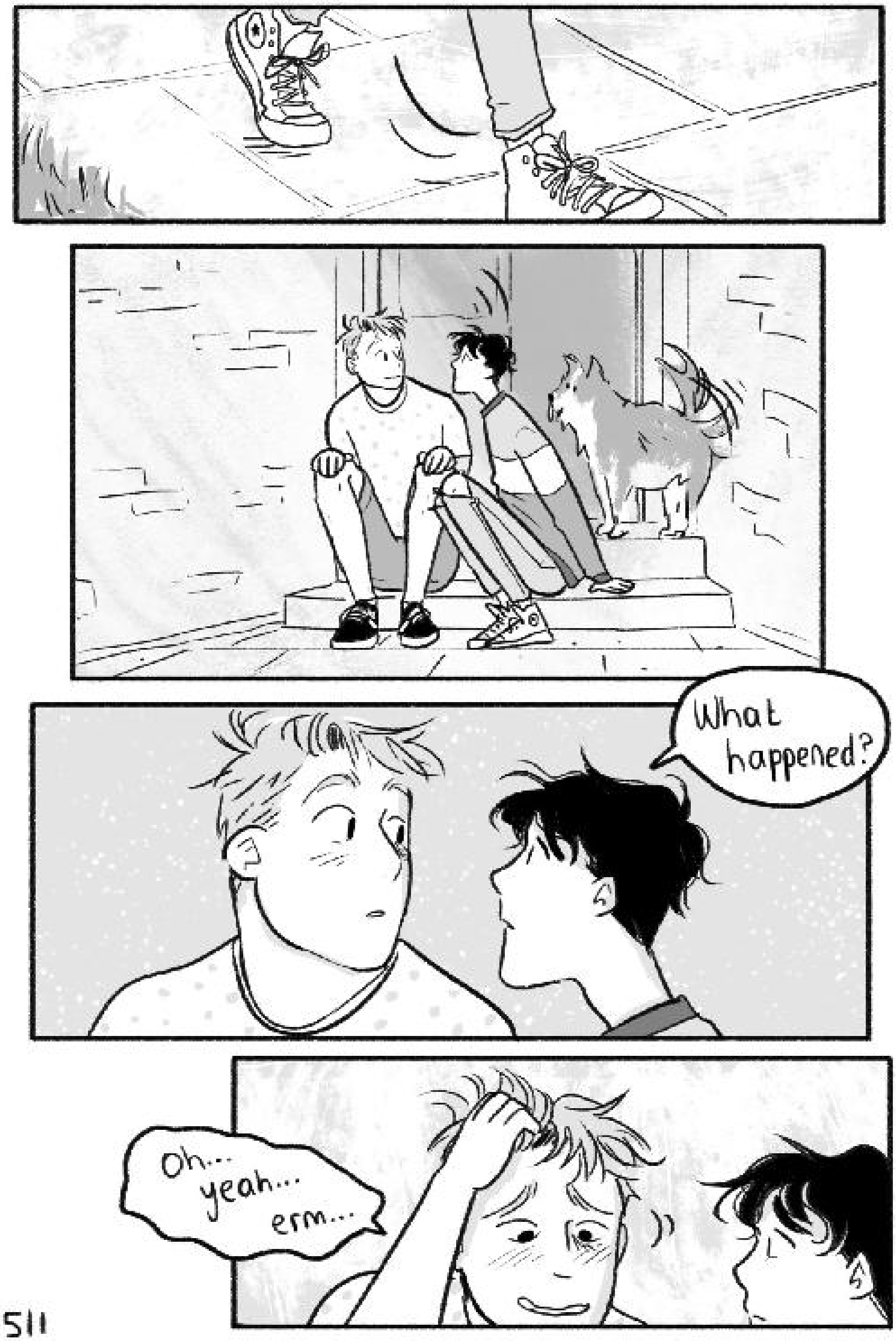
Sunday 23 May
Nick
I'm gonna fall asleep too but I just want you to know that you're the best and I'm gonna kiss you a lot tomorrow ♡
sleep

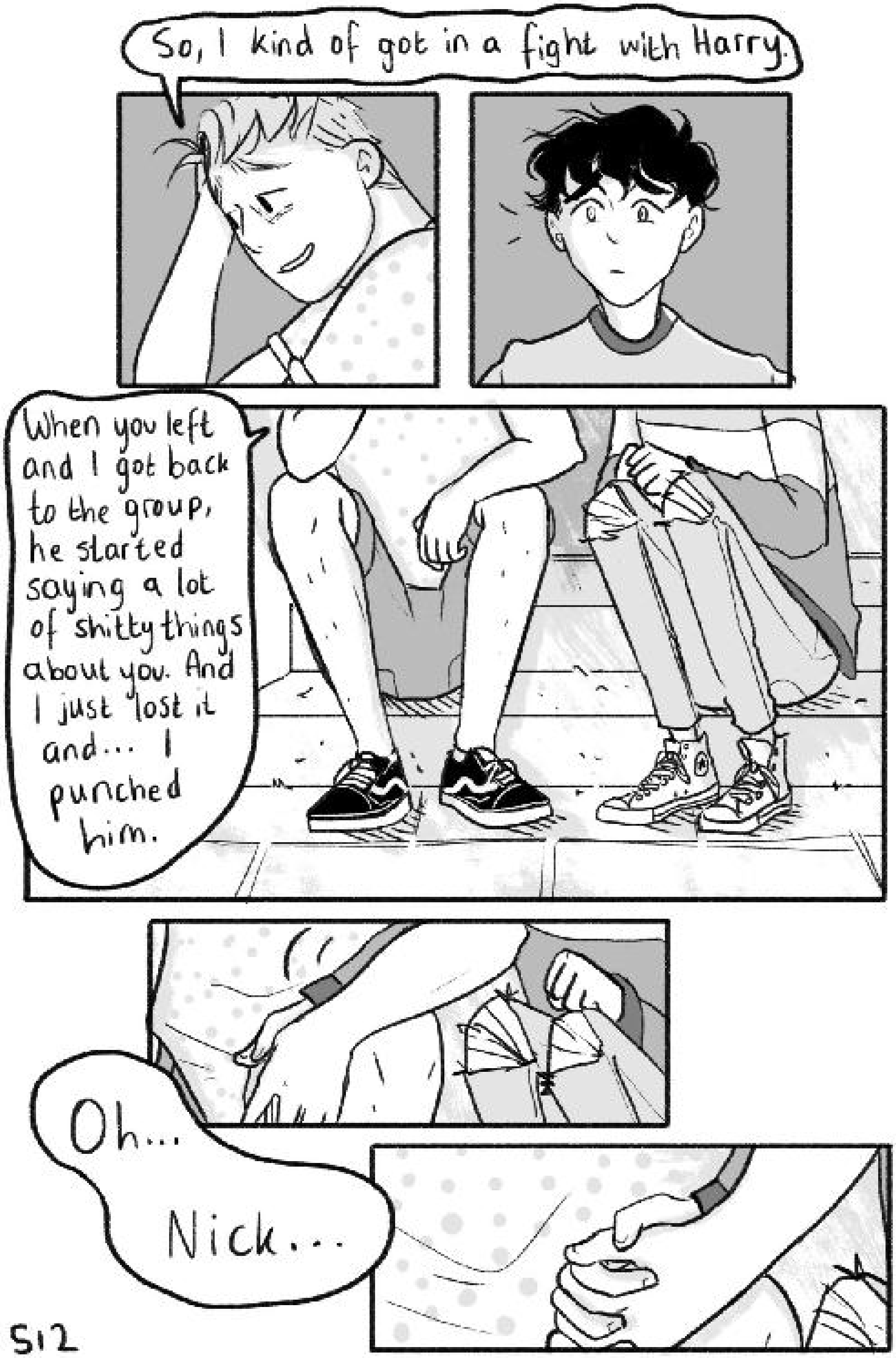
THE NEXT MORNING

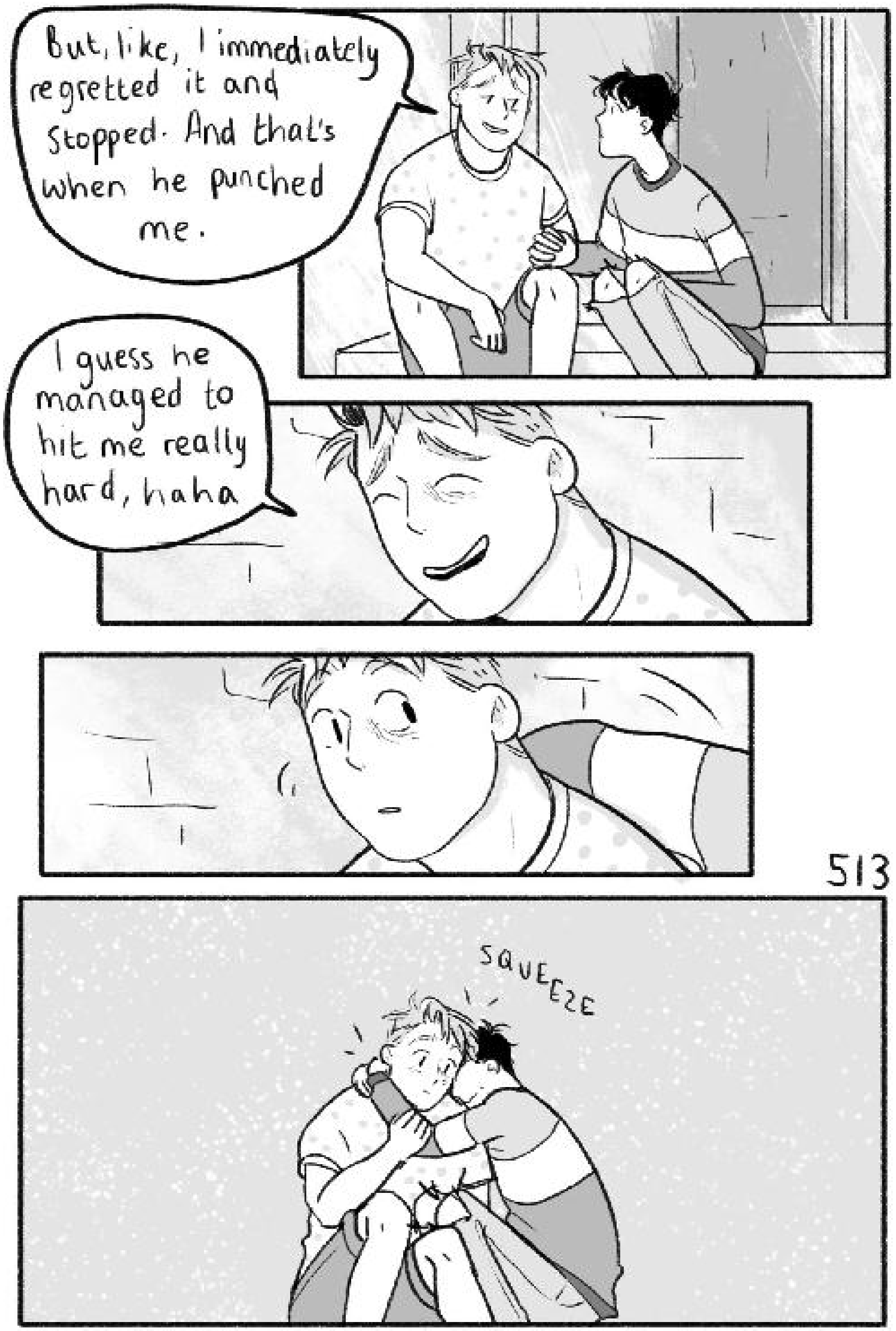

Pfft- Nellie!!
LICK

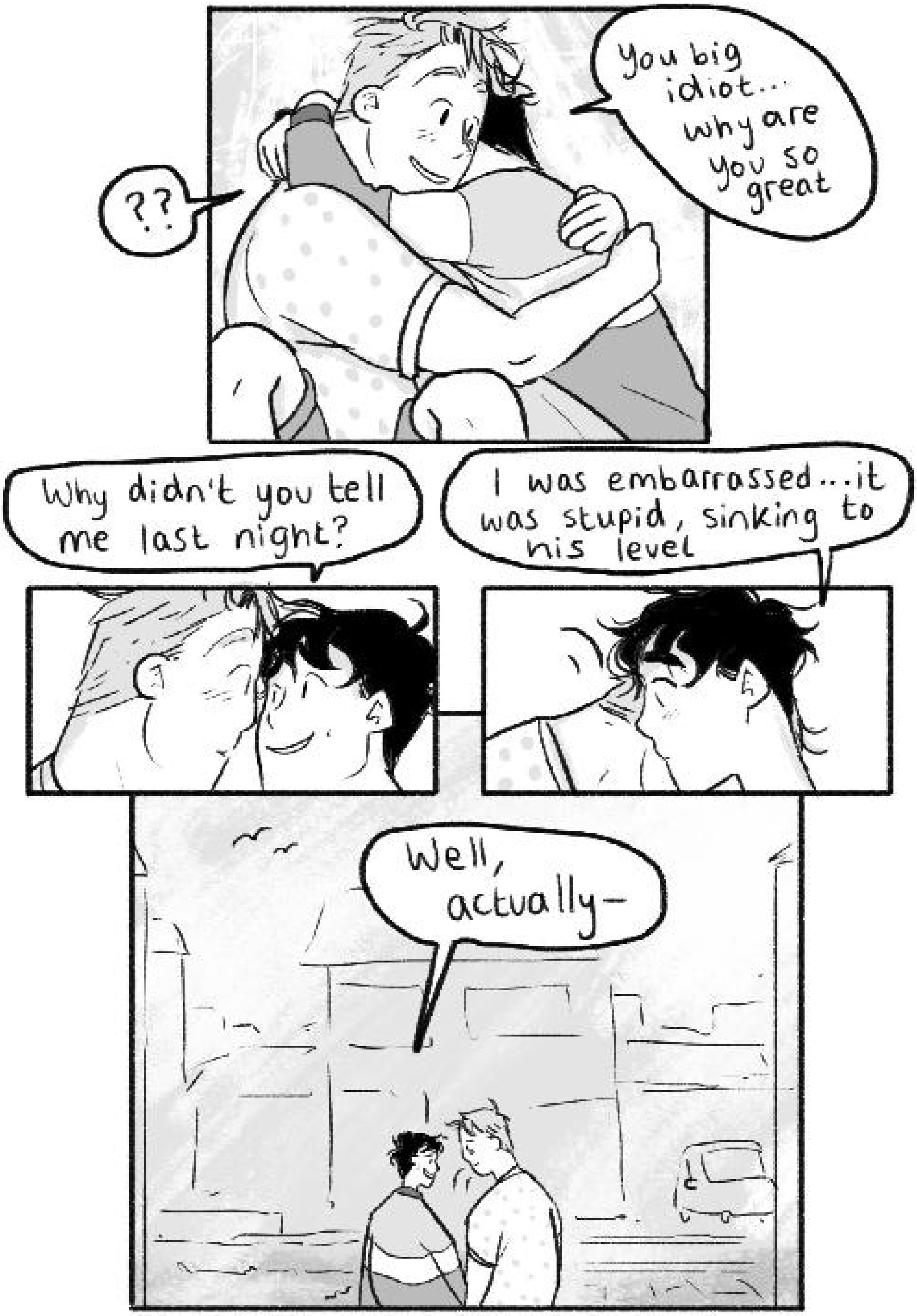

You're so cute! Aren't you!!

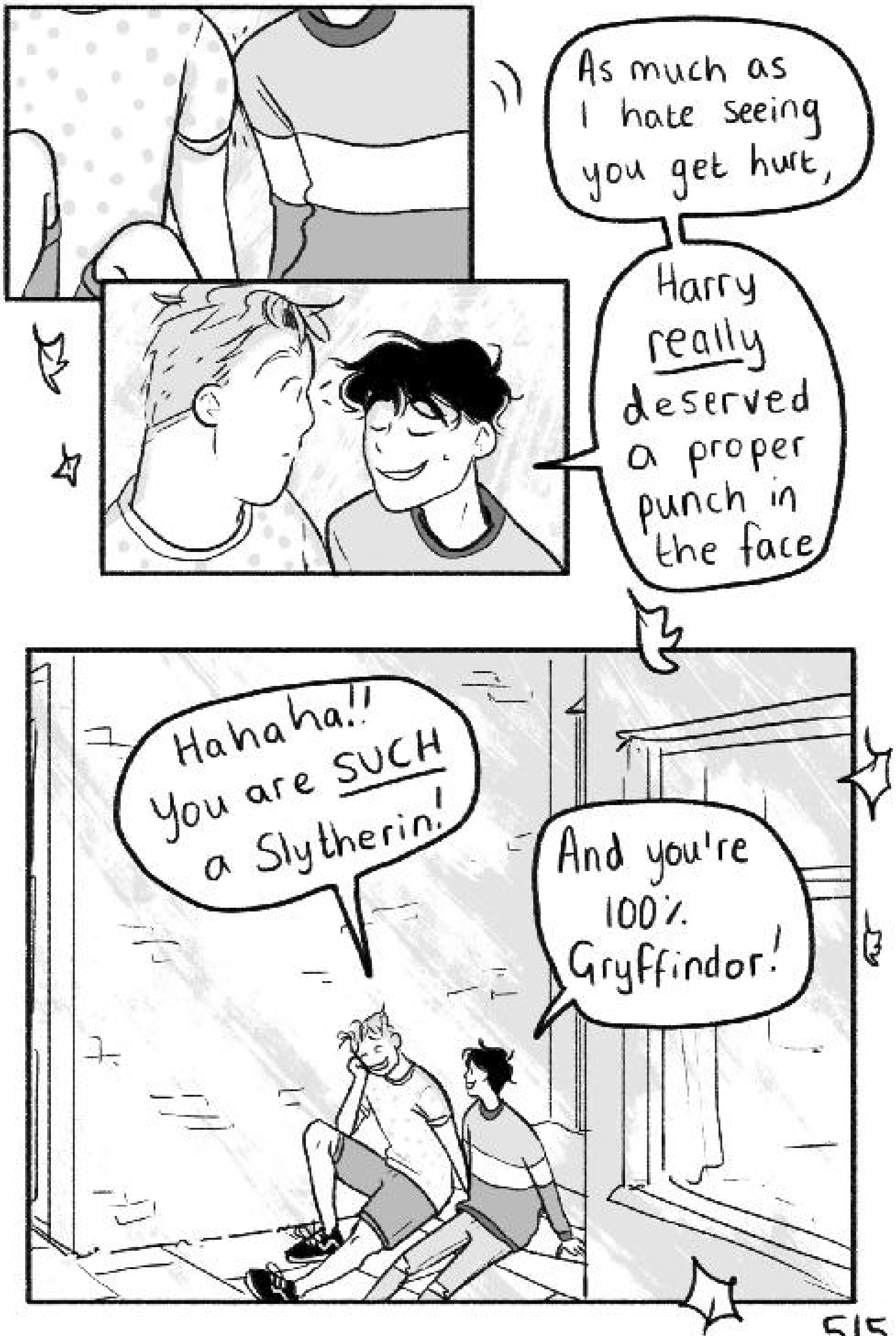

boof?
Nellie!
BORK
BORK
Hey
PANT
PANT
Hey!

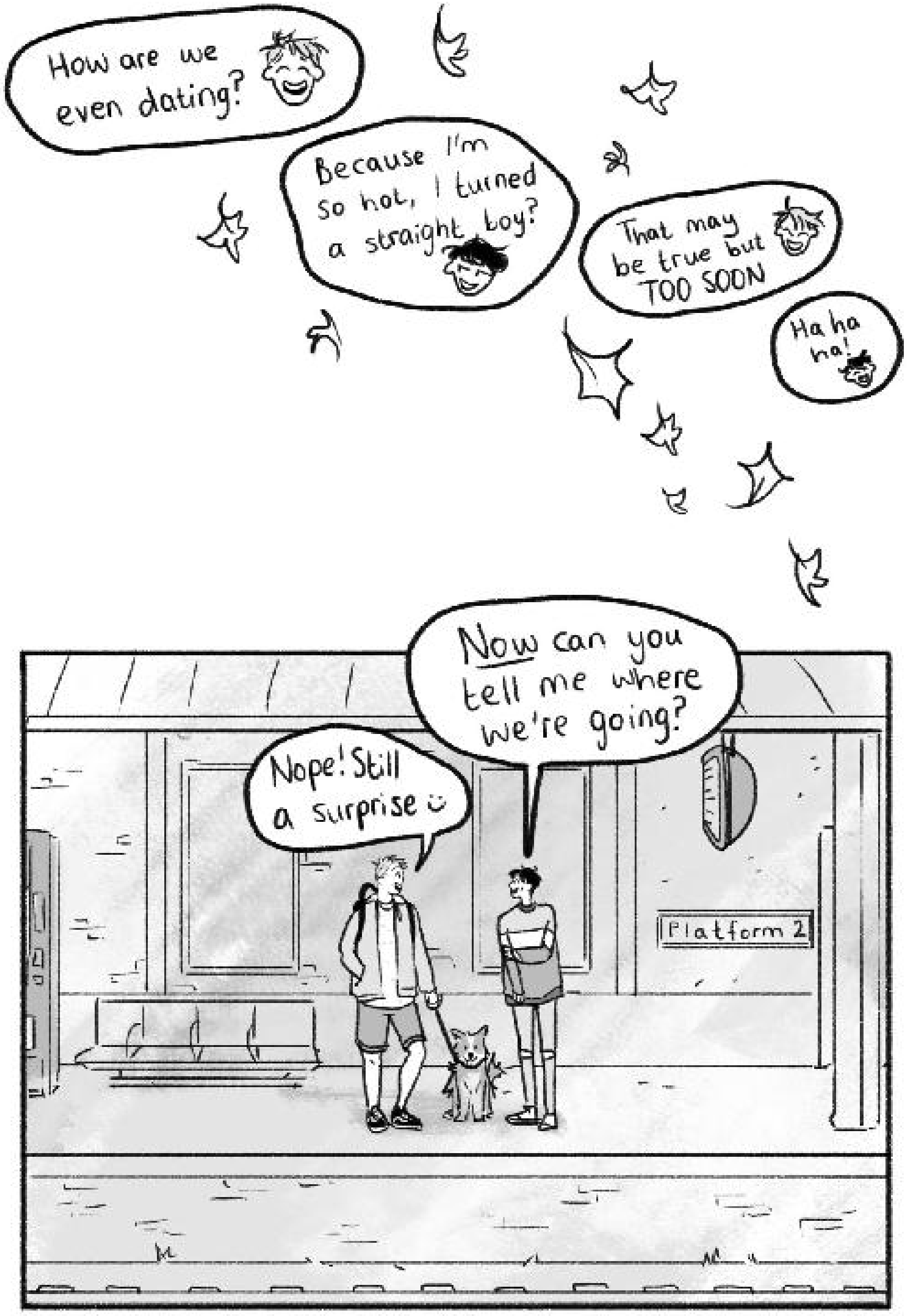

What happened?
Oh... yeah... erm...

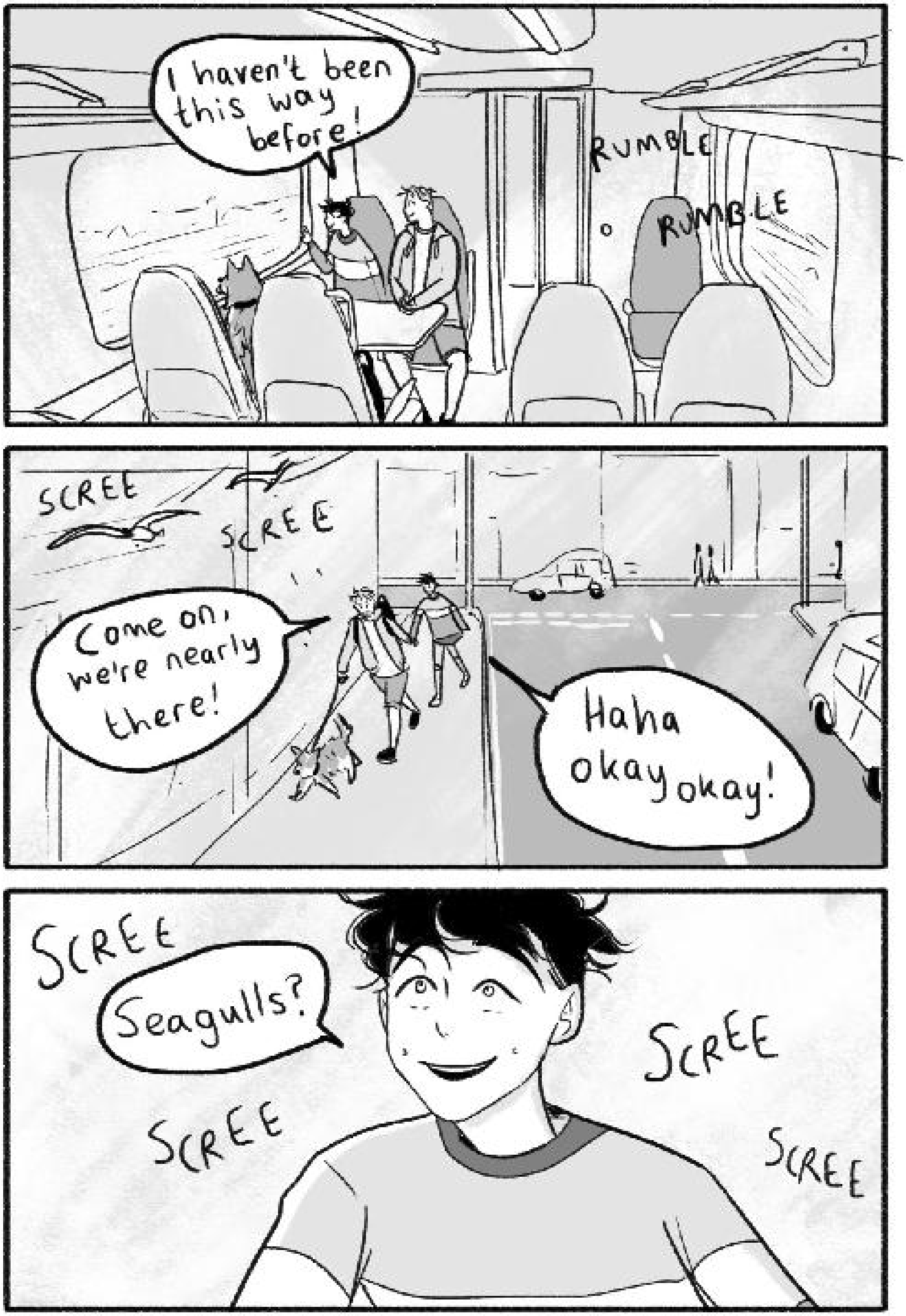

So, I kind of got in a fight with Harry.
When you left and I got back to the group, he started saying a lot of shitty things about you. And I just lost it and... I punched him.
Oh... Nick...


But, like, I immediately regretted it and stopped. And that's when he punched me.
I guess he managed to hit me really hard, haha
SQUEEZE


You big idiot... why are you so great
??
Why didn't you tell me last night?
I was embarrassed...it was stupid, sinking to his level
Well, actually-


As much as I hate seeing you get hurt,
Harry really deserved a proper punch in the face
Hahaha!! You are SUCH a Slytherin!
And you're 100% Gryffindor!


How are we even dating?
Because I'm so hot, I turned a straight boy?
That may be true but TOO SOON
Ha ha ha!
Now can you tell me where we're going?
Nope! Still a surprise ☺
Platform 2


I haven't been this way before!
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
SCREE
SCREE
Come on, we're nearly there!
Haha okay okay!
SCREE
Seagulls?
SCREE
SCREE
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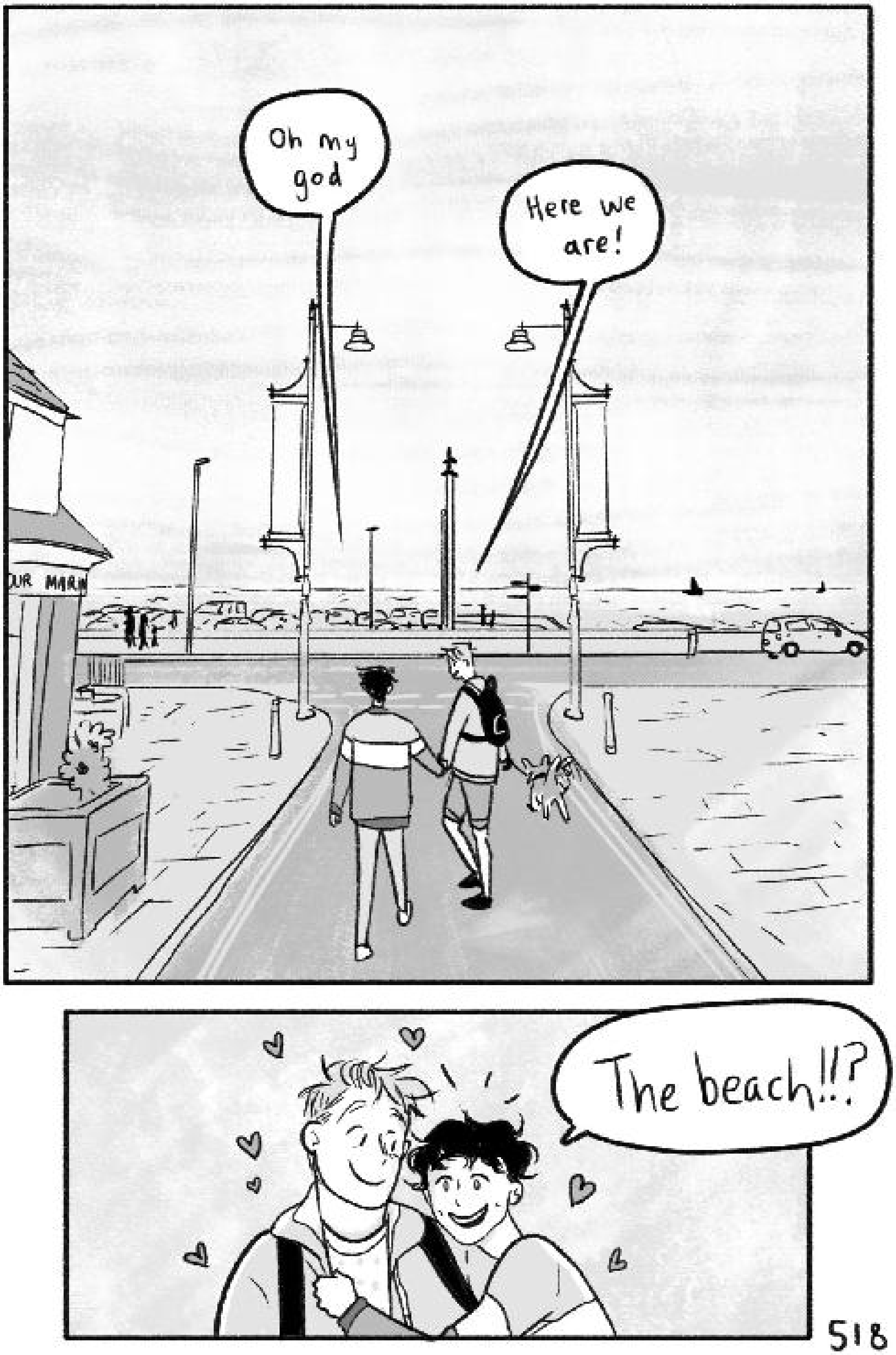
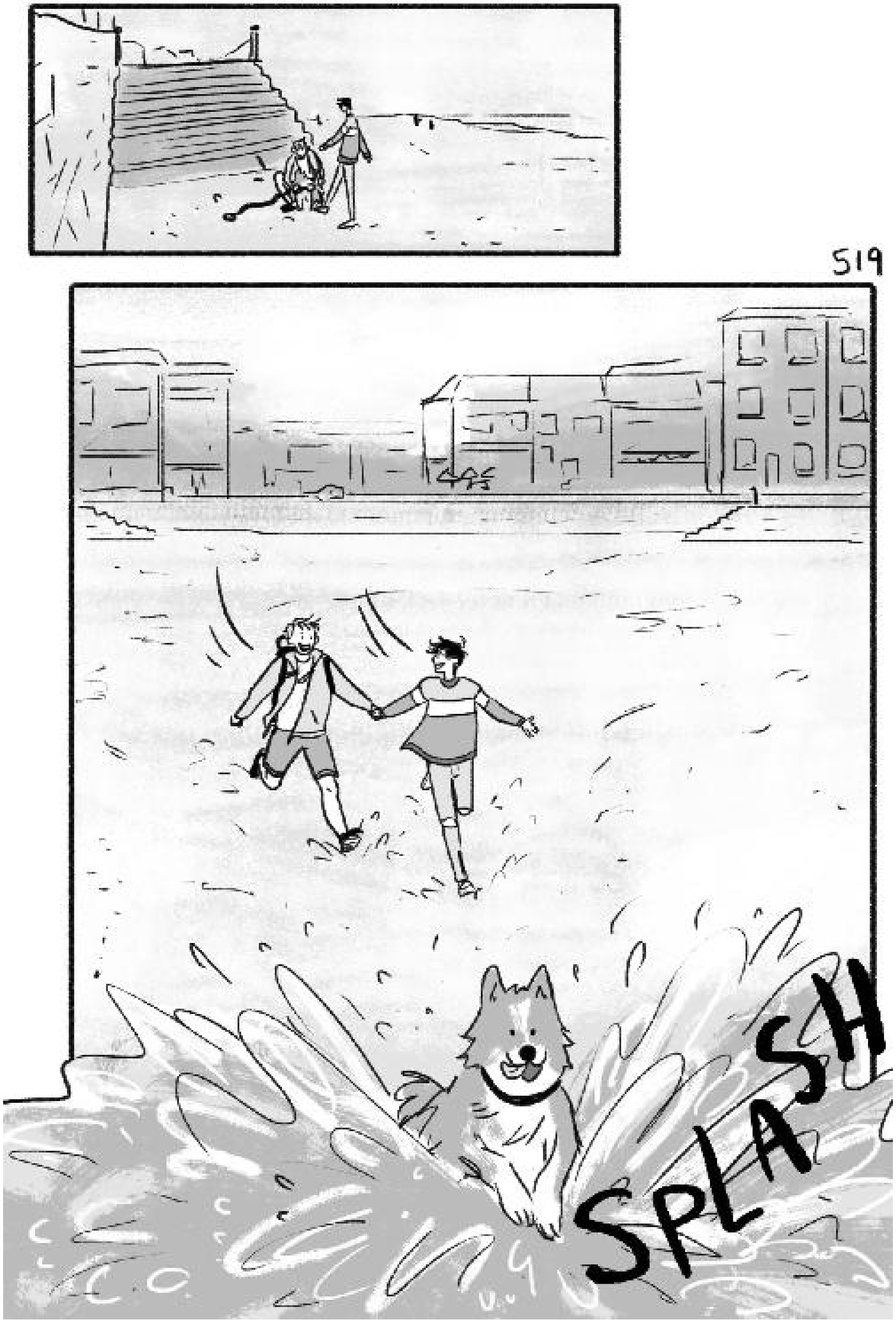

Oh my god
Here we are!
OUR MARIN
The beach!!?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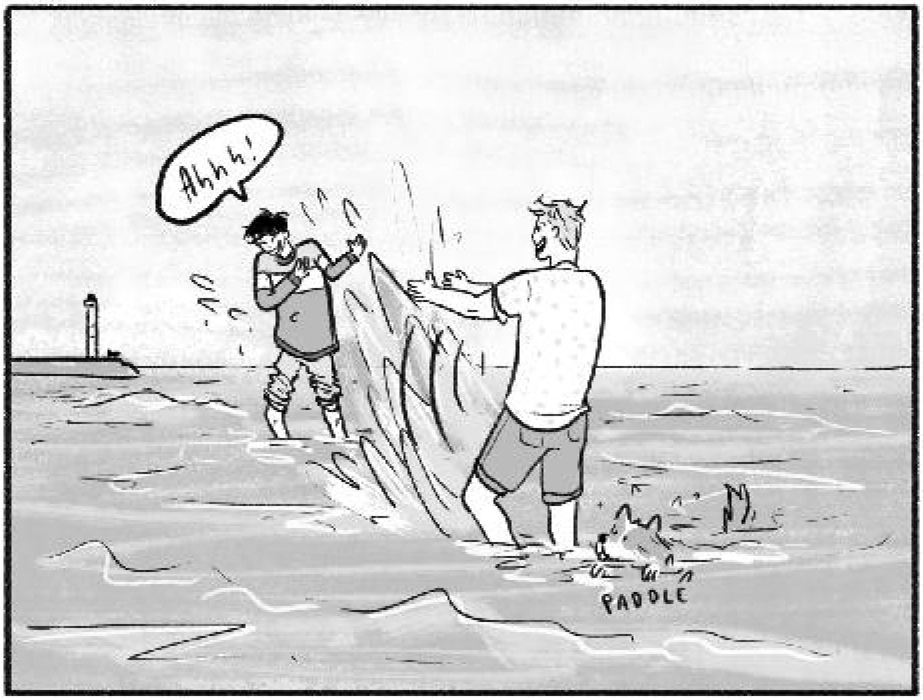
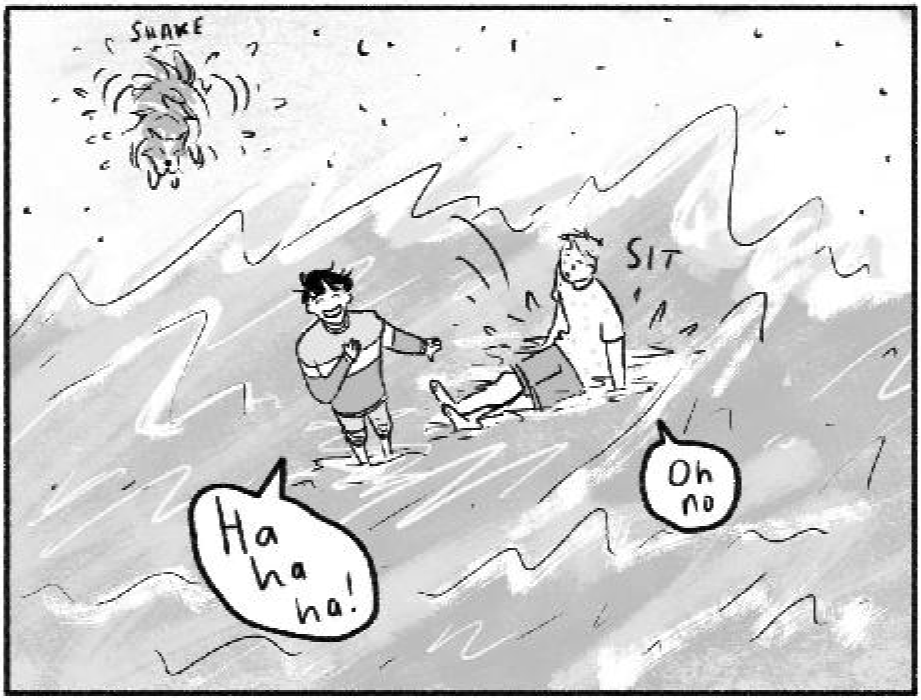
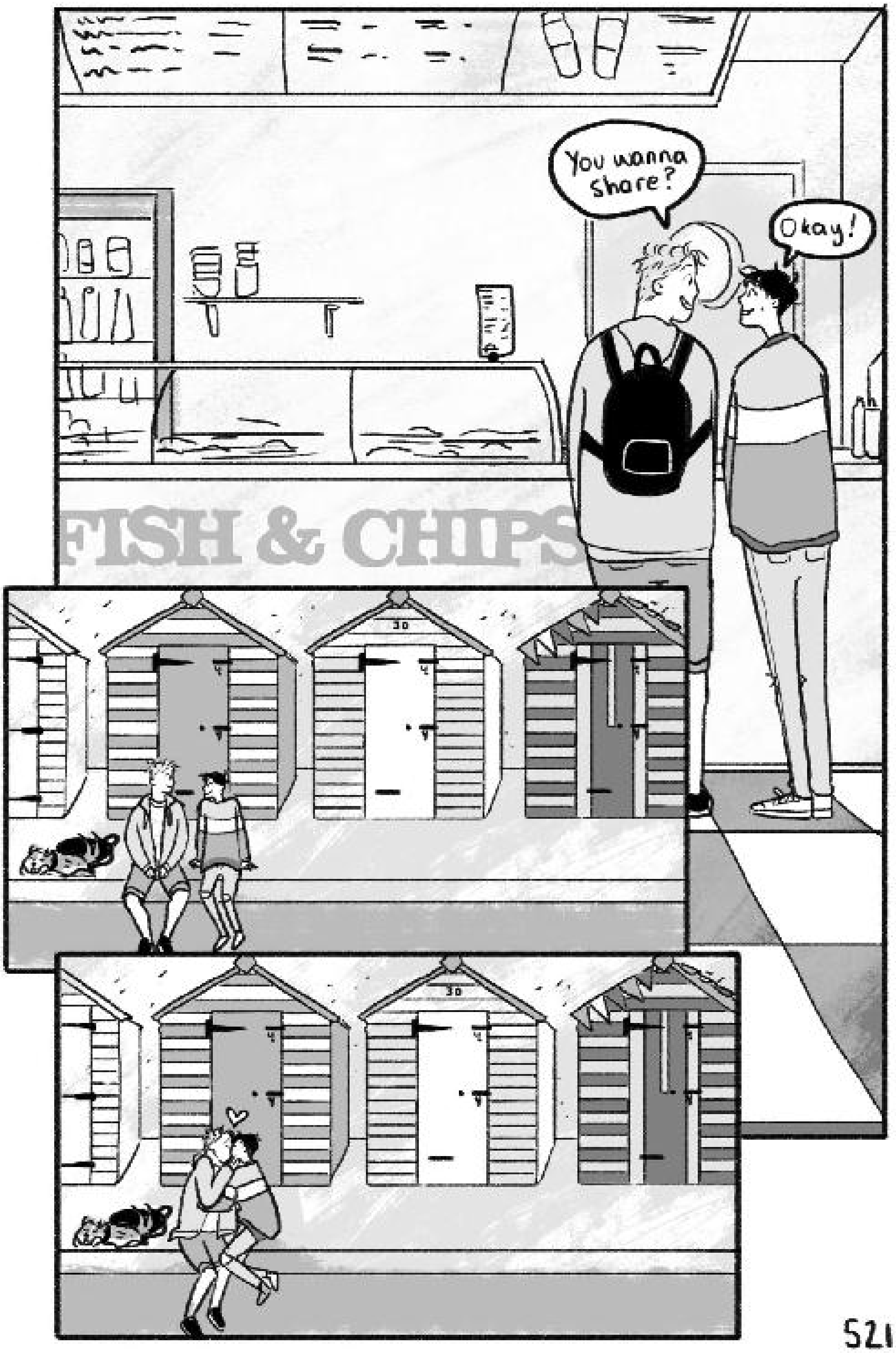

Ahhh!
PADDLE


SHAKE
SIT
Oh no
Ha ha ha!


You wanna share?
Okay!
FISH & CHIPS
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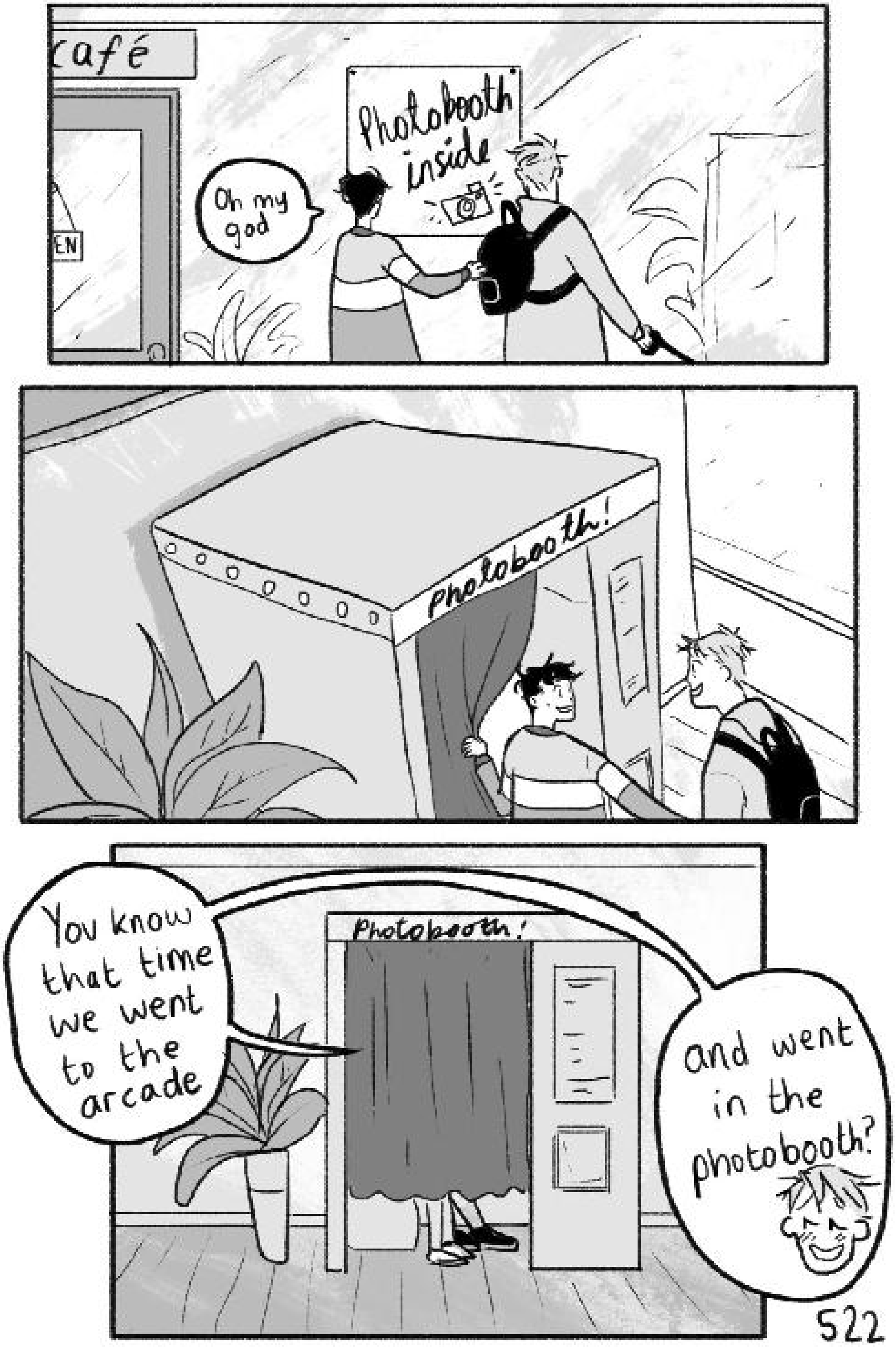
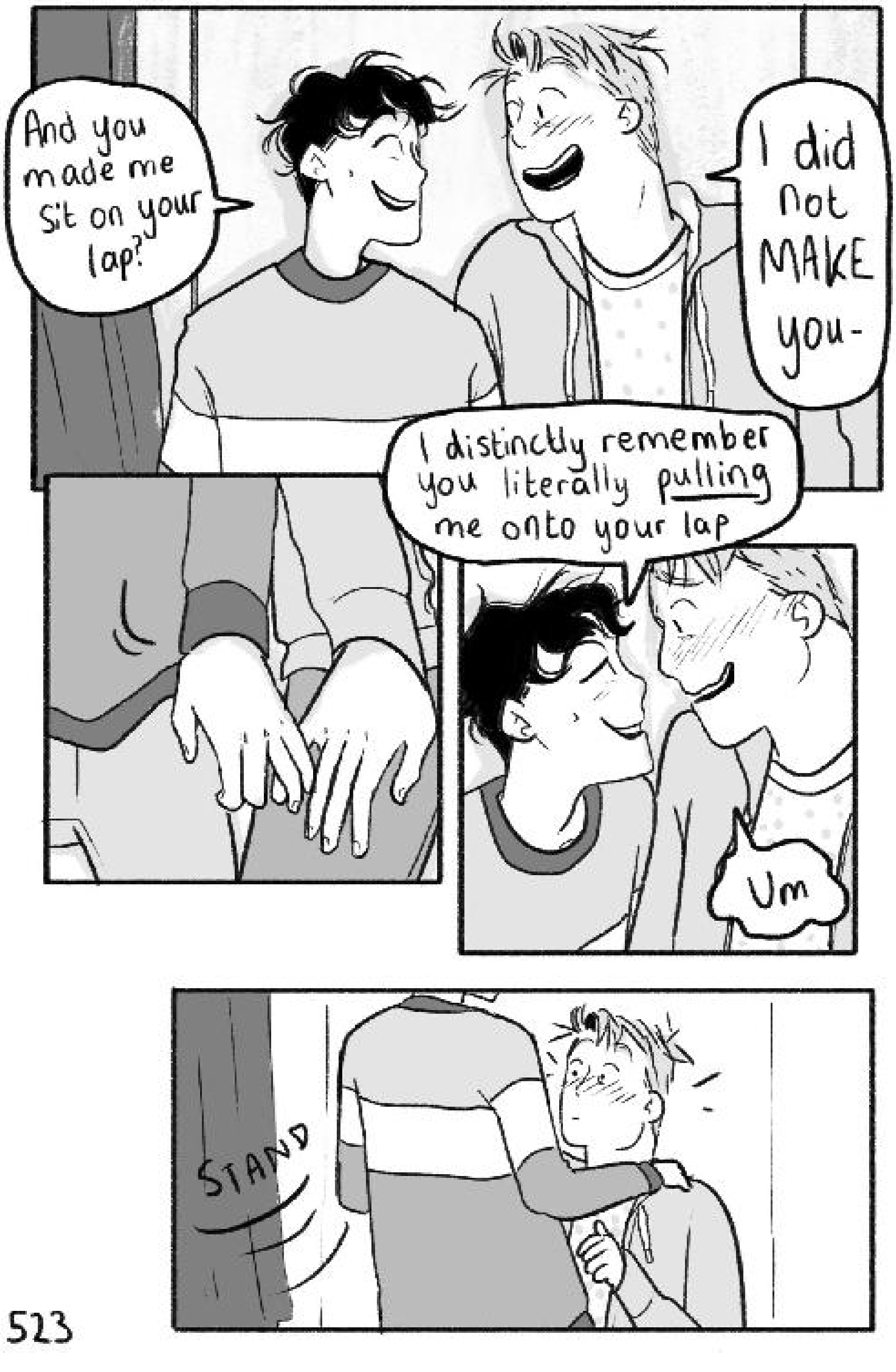
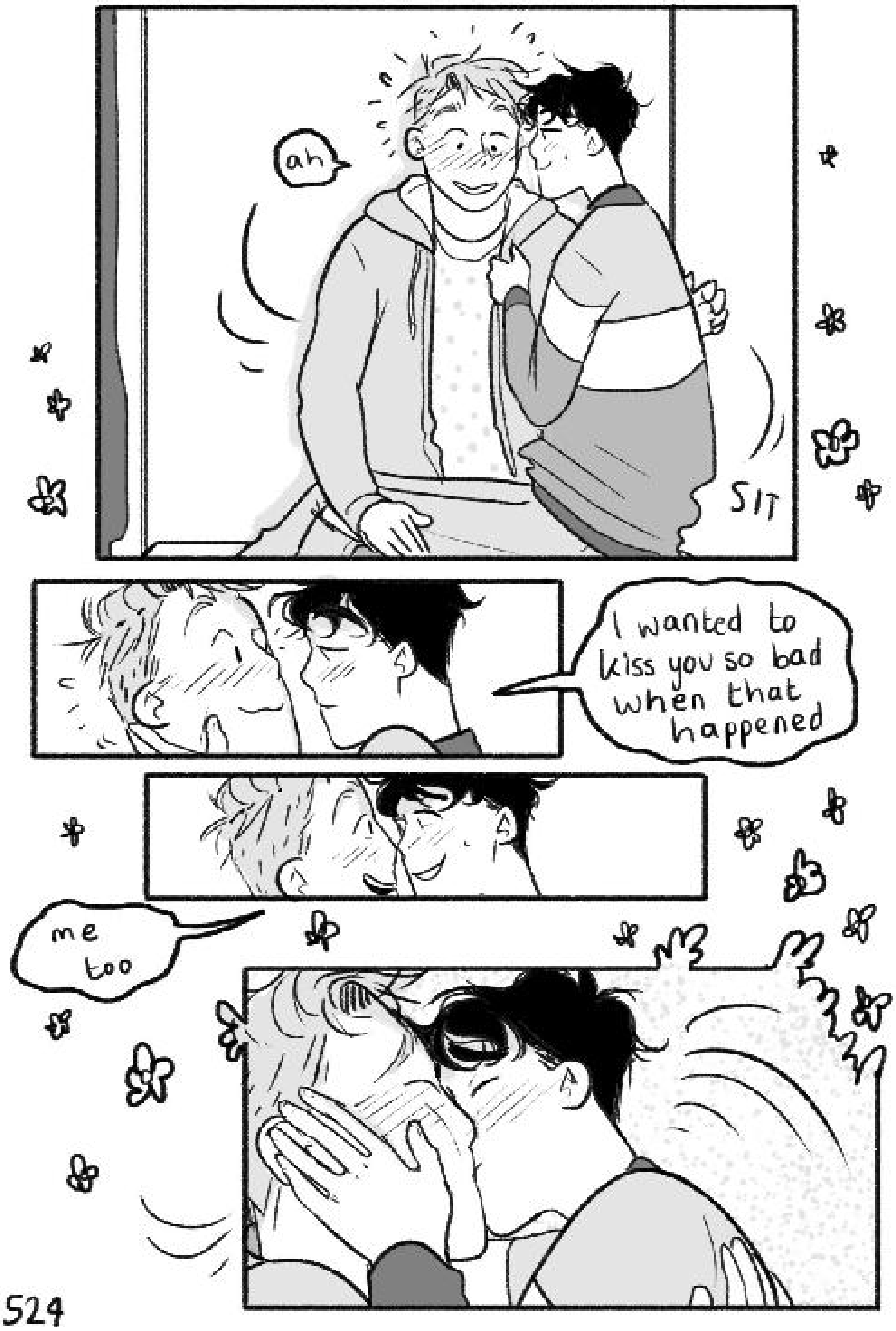
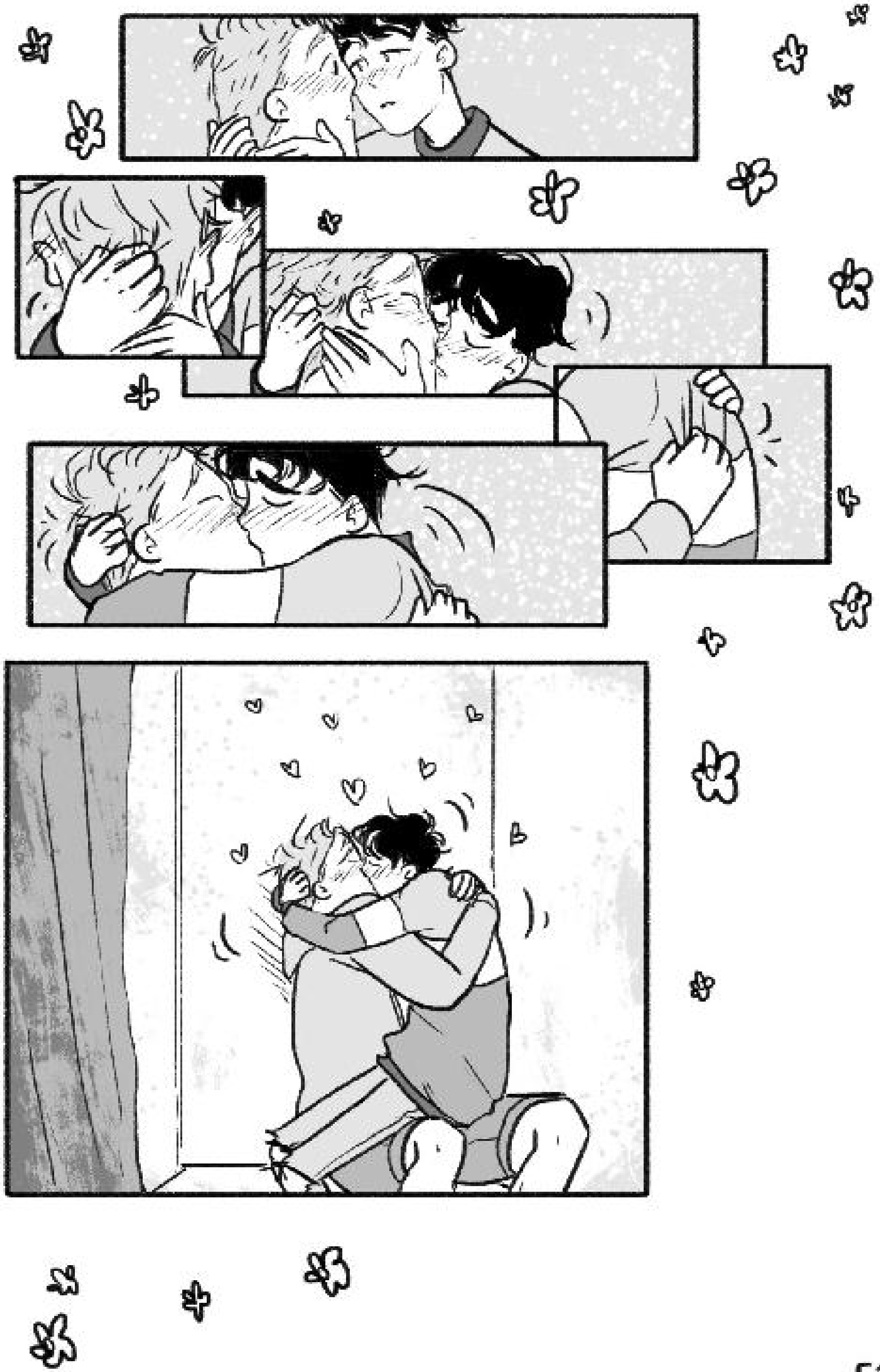
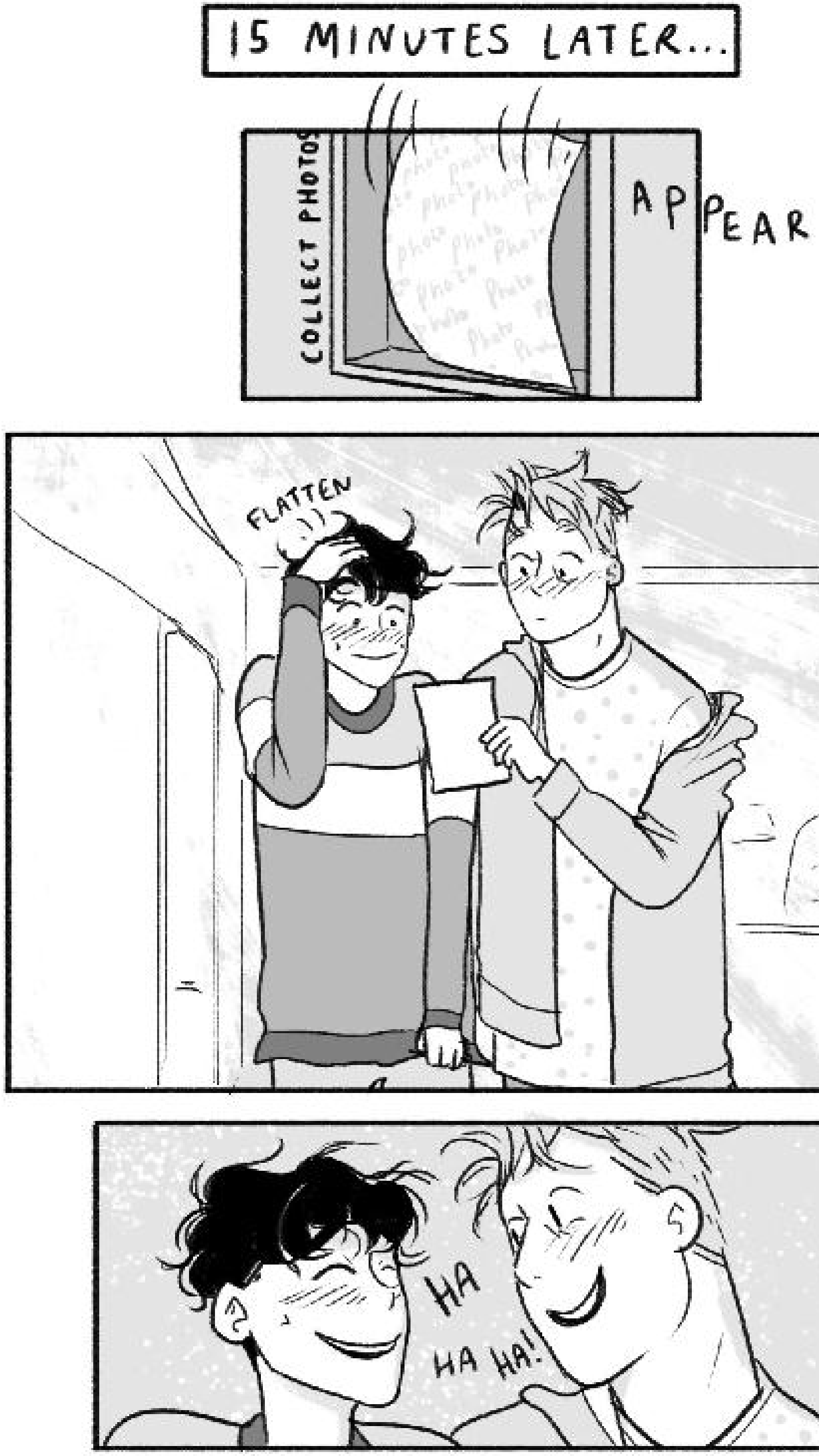
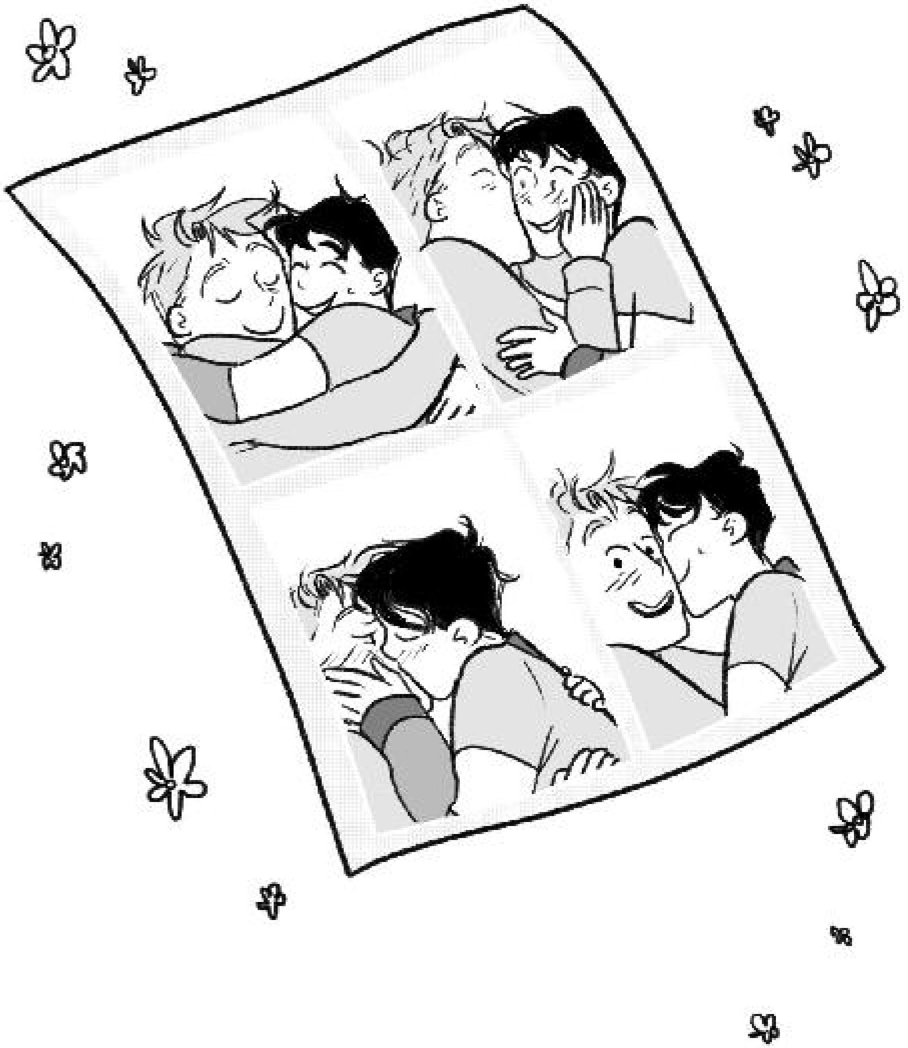

café
EN
Photobooth inside
Oh my god
Photobooth!
Photobooth!
You know that time we went to the arcade
and went in the photobooth?

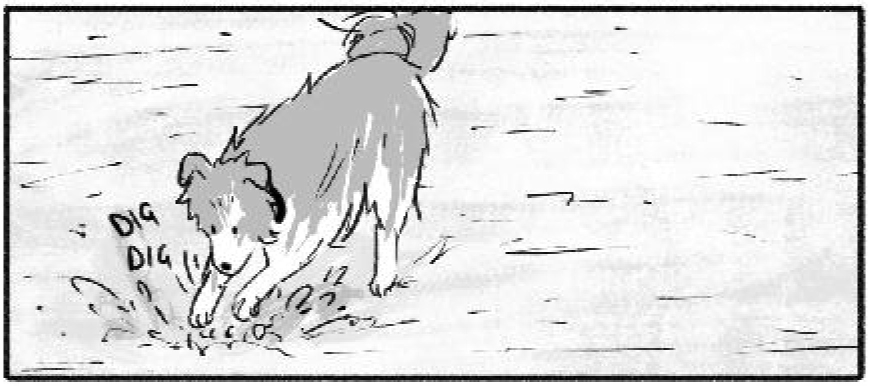

And you made me sit on your lap?
I did not MAKE you-
I distinctly remember you literally pulling me onto your lap
Um
STAND


ah
SIT
I wanted to kiss you so bad when that happened
me too




15 MINUTES LATER...
COLLECT PHOTOS
APPEAR
FLATTEN
HA
HA HA!

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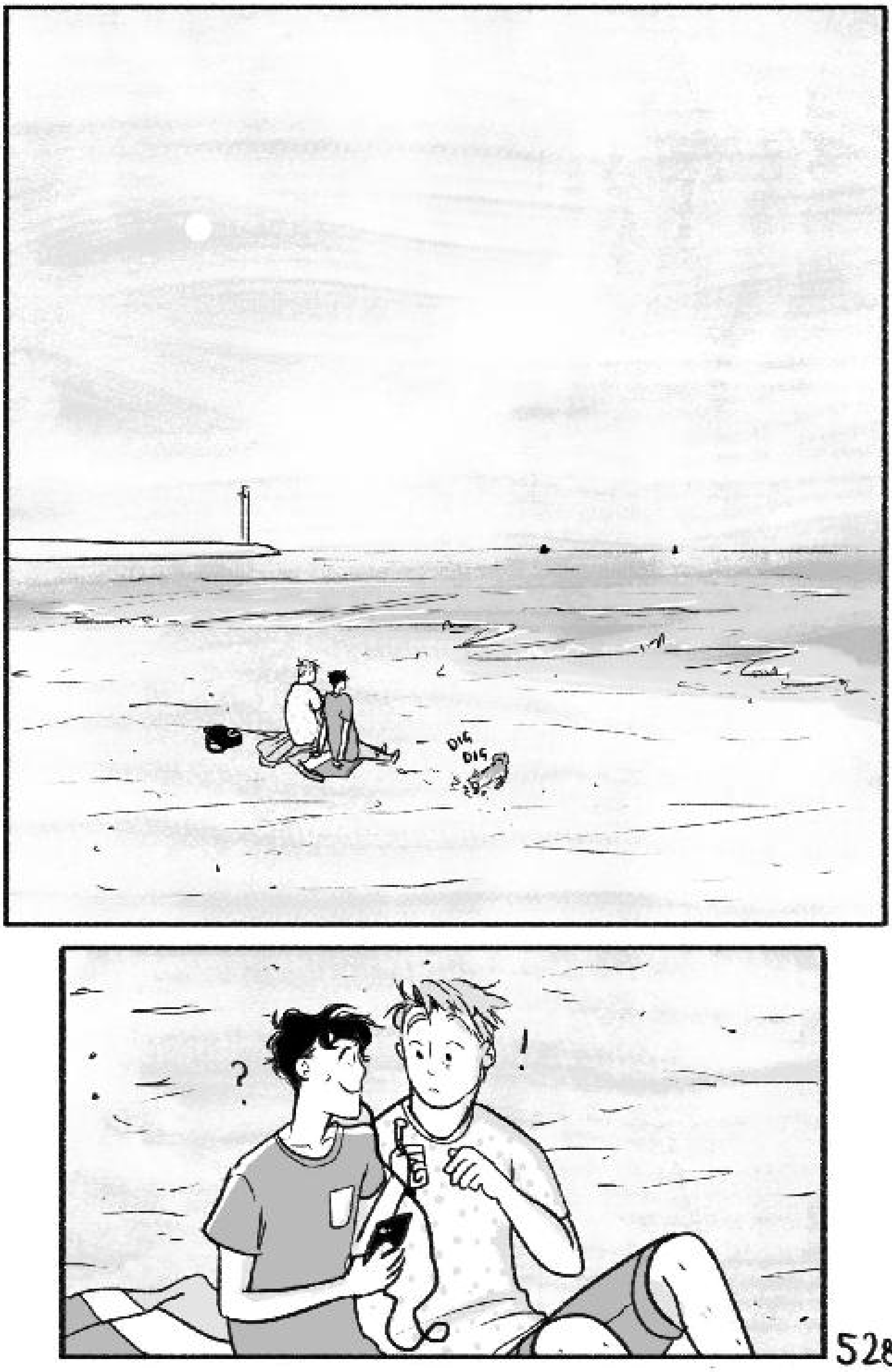
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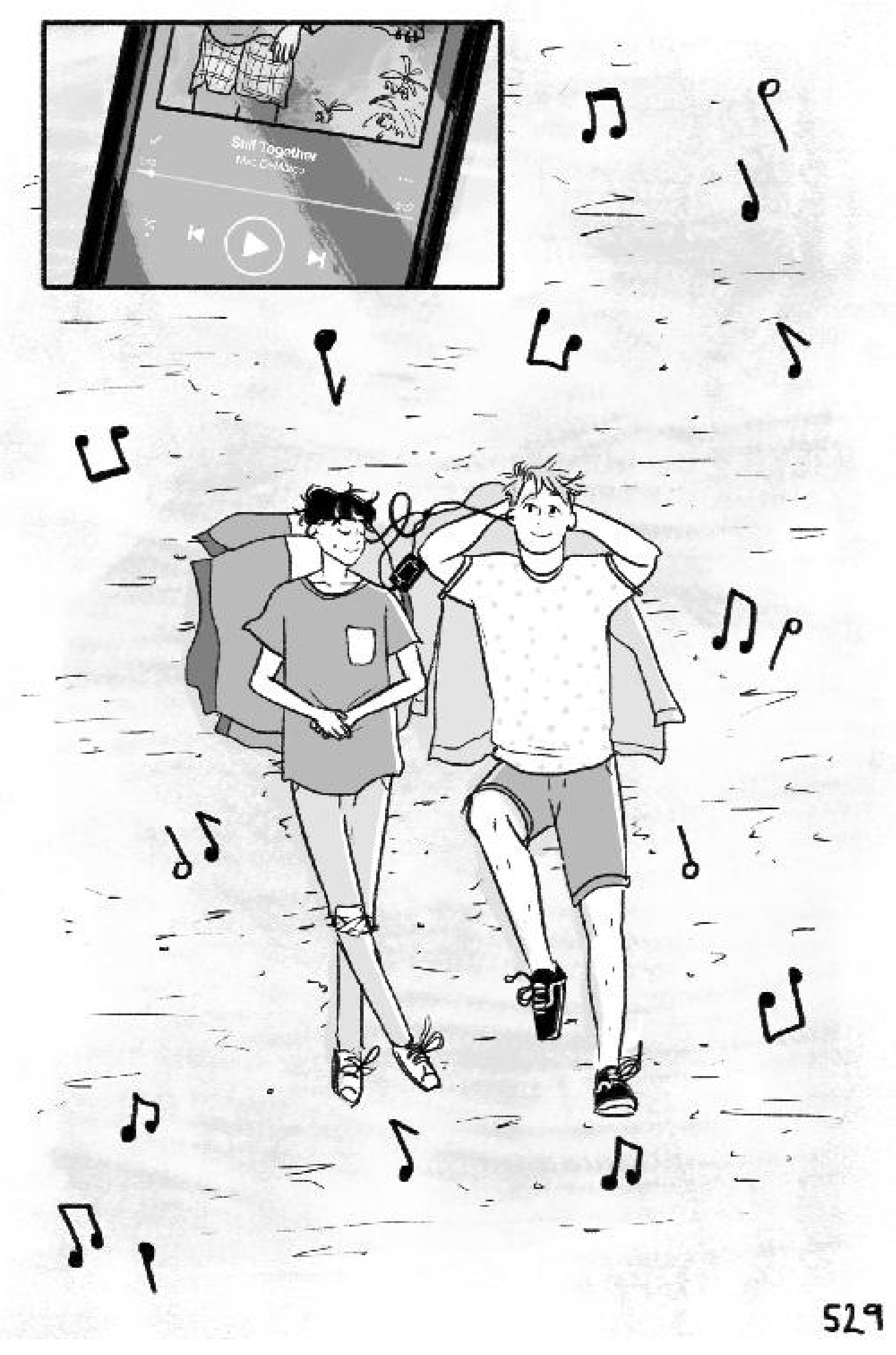
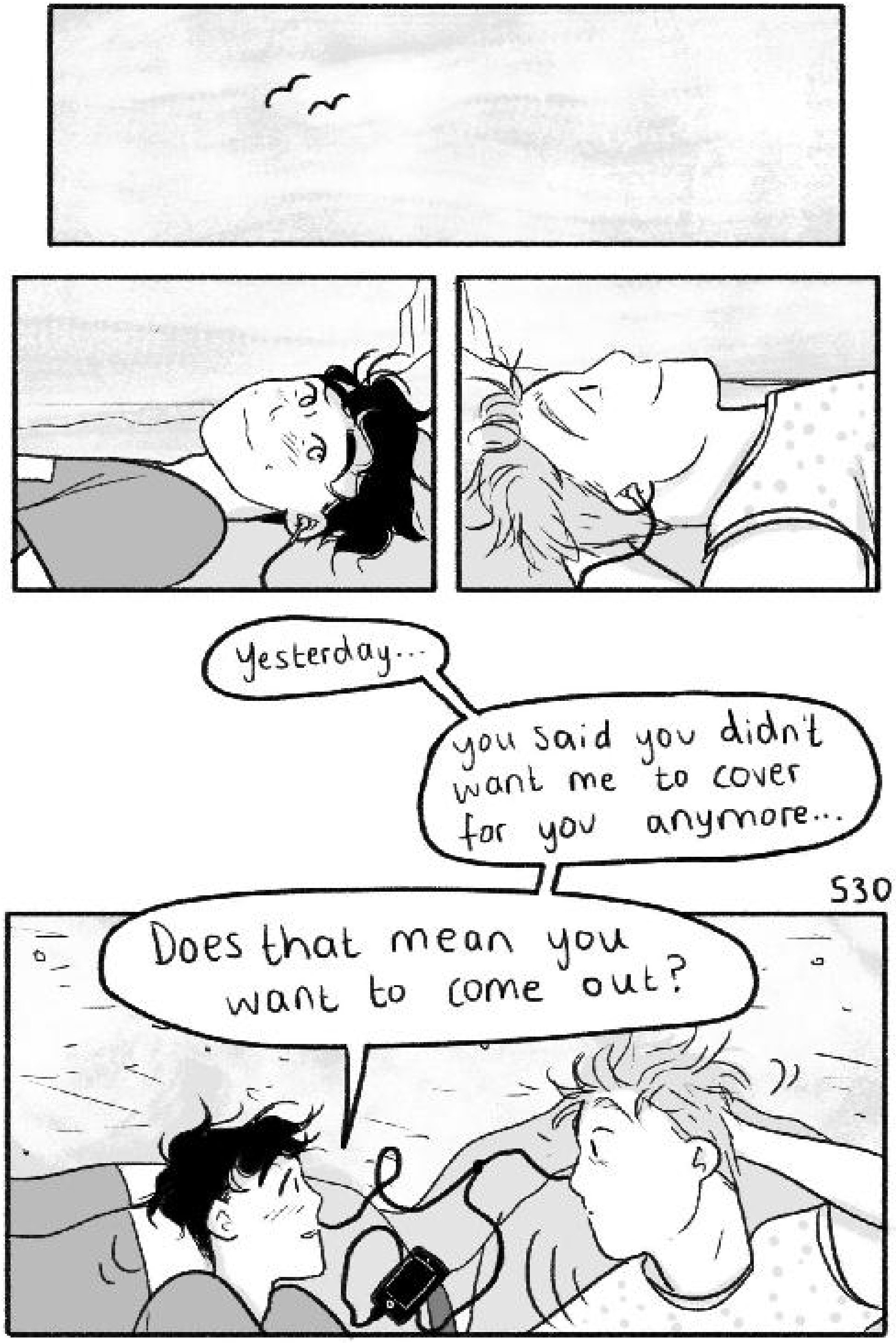

Still Together
Mac DeMarco


Yesterday...
you said you didn't want me to cover for you anymore...
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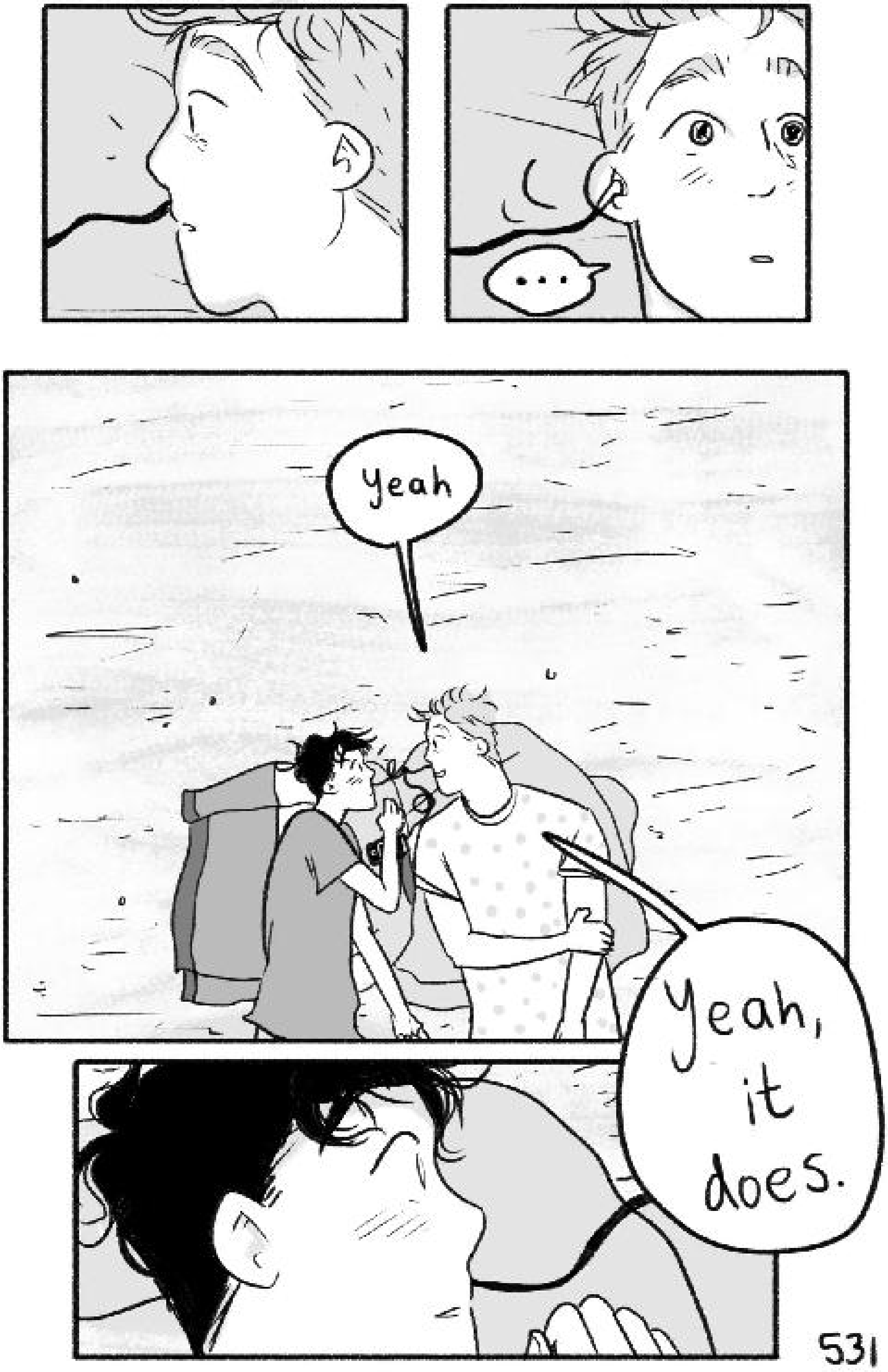
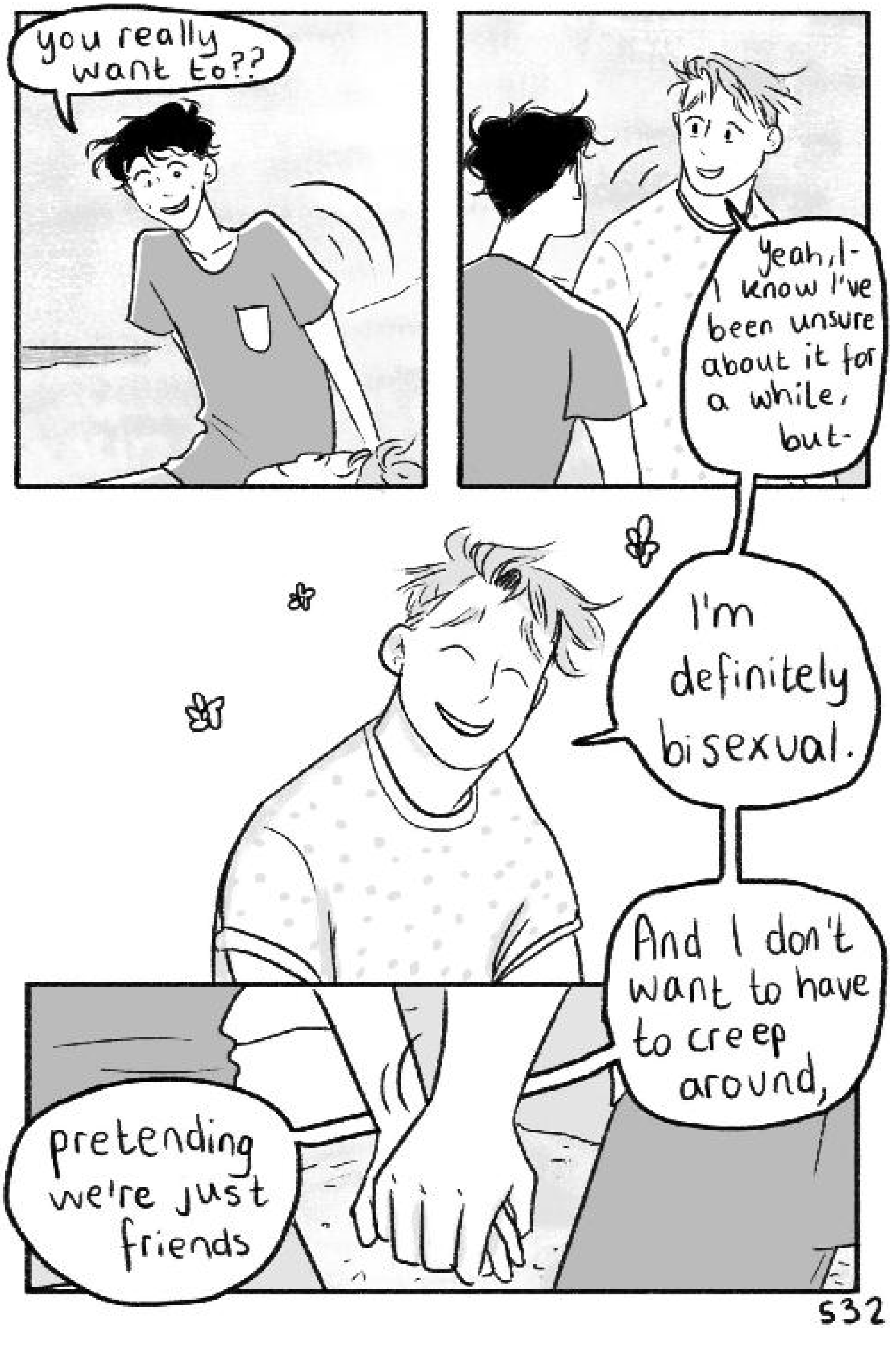
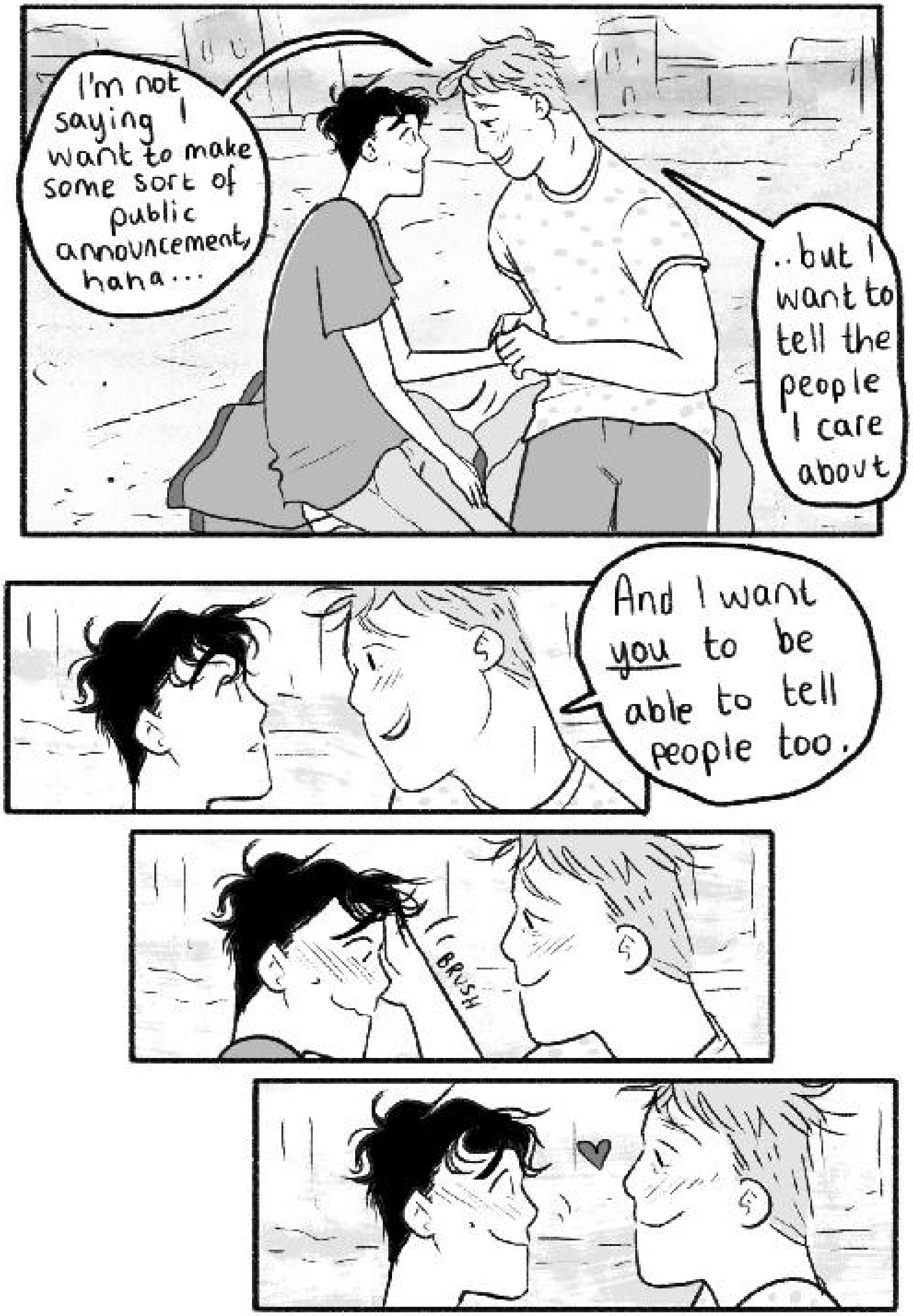
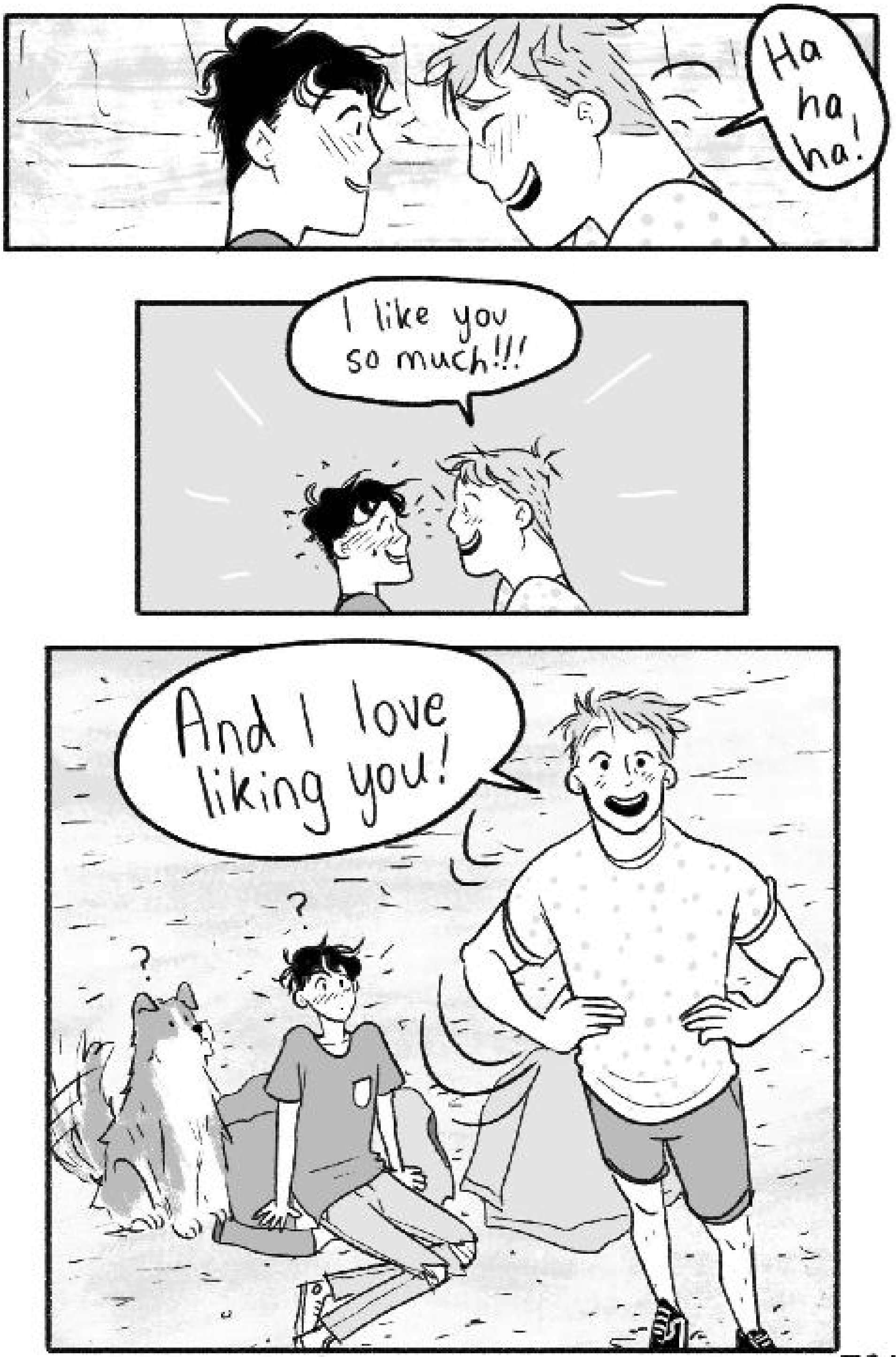
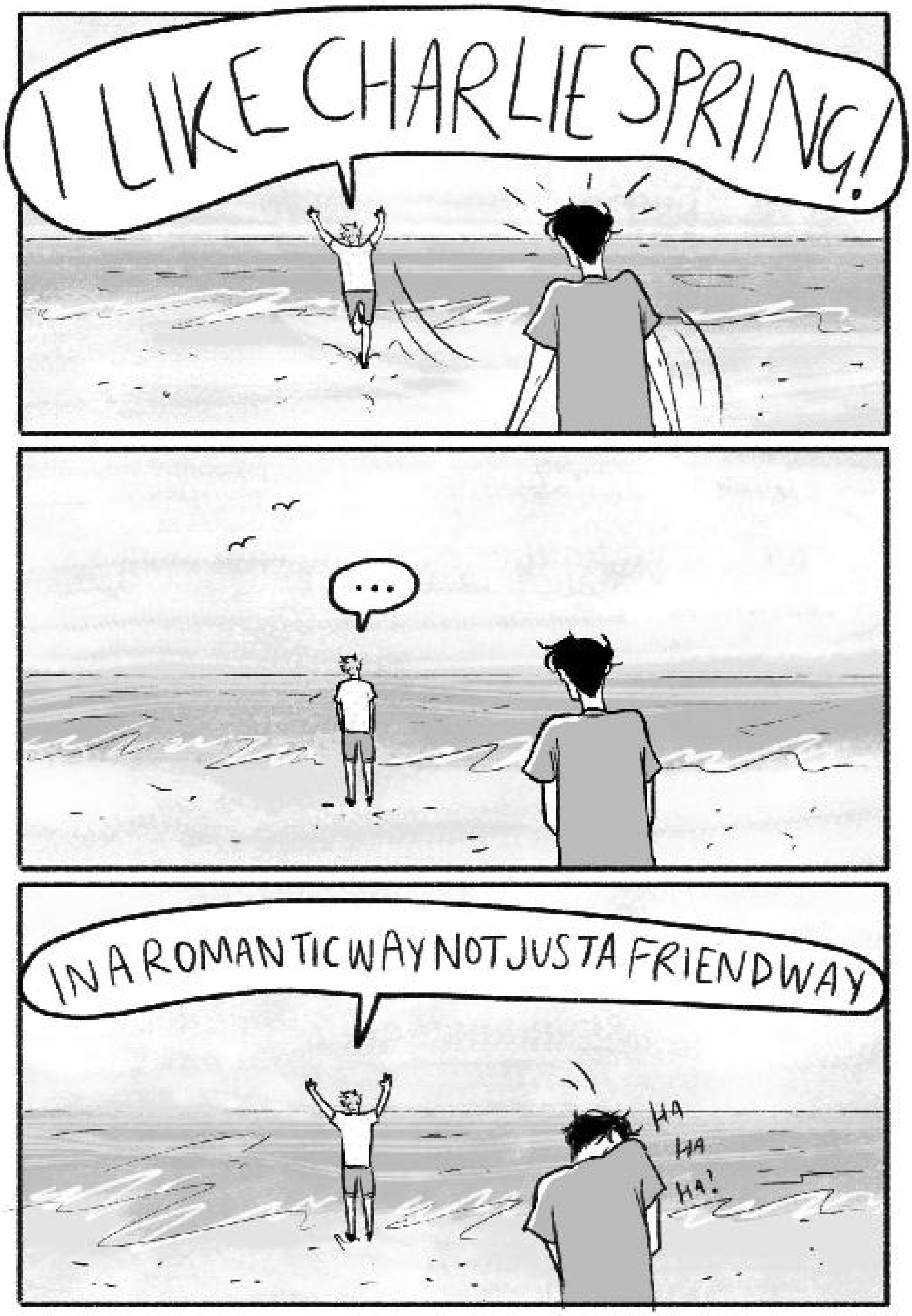
Does that mean you want to come out?

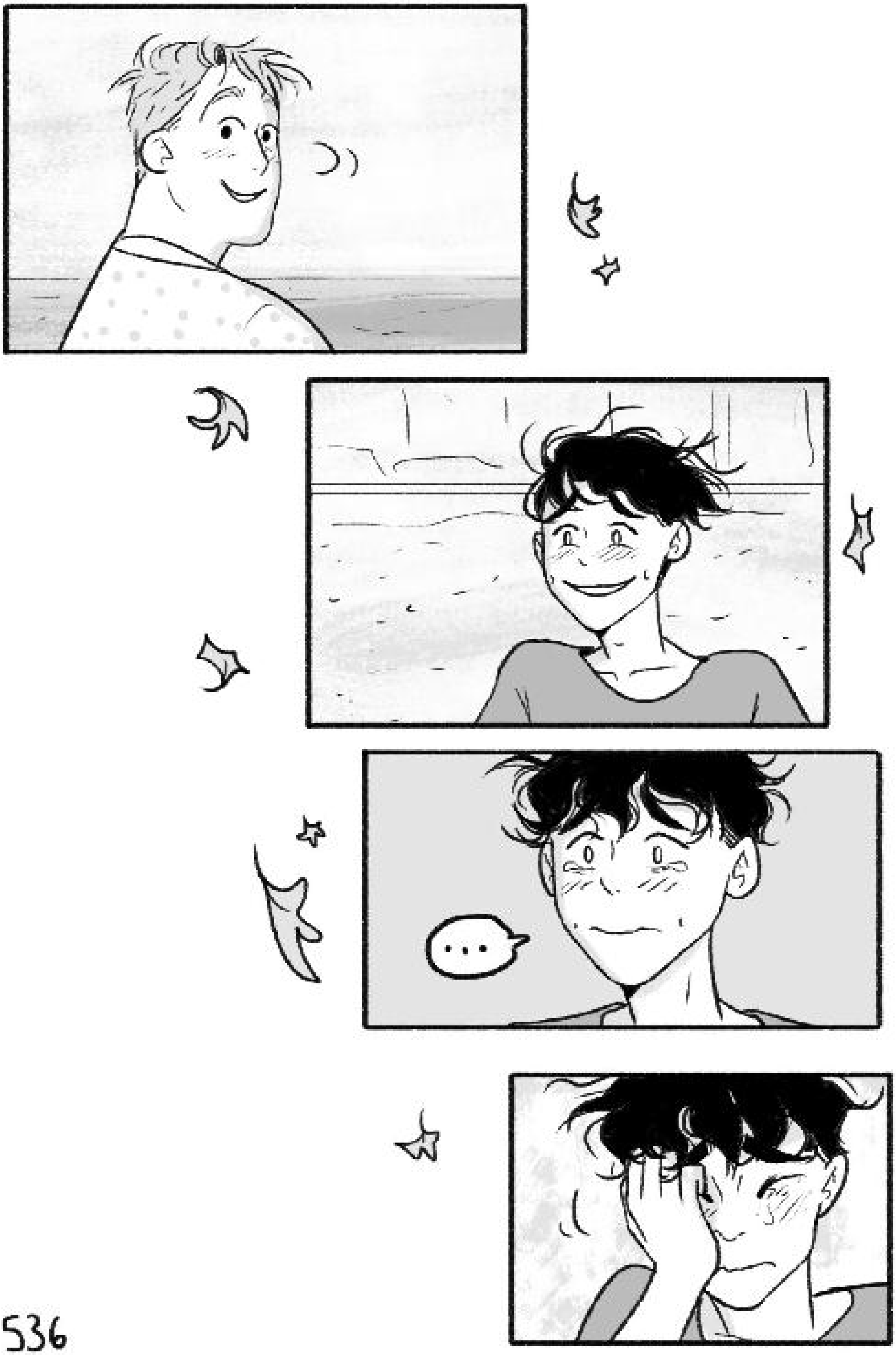

...
yeah
Yeah, it does.

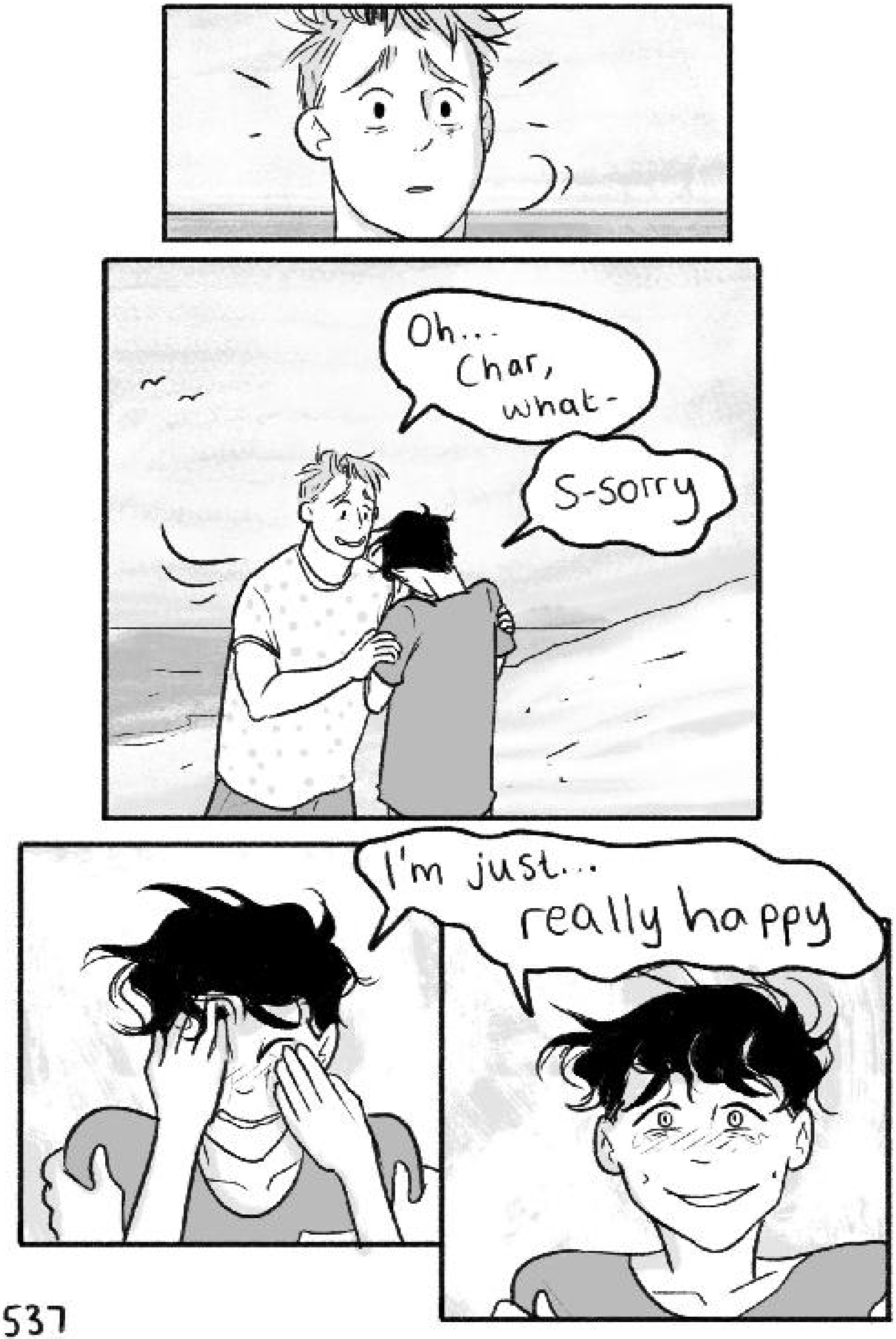

you really want to??
Yeah, I- I know I've been unsure about it for a while, but-
I'm definitely bisexual.
And I don't want to have to creep around,
pretending we're just friends

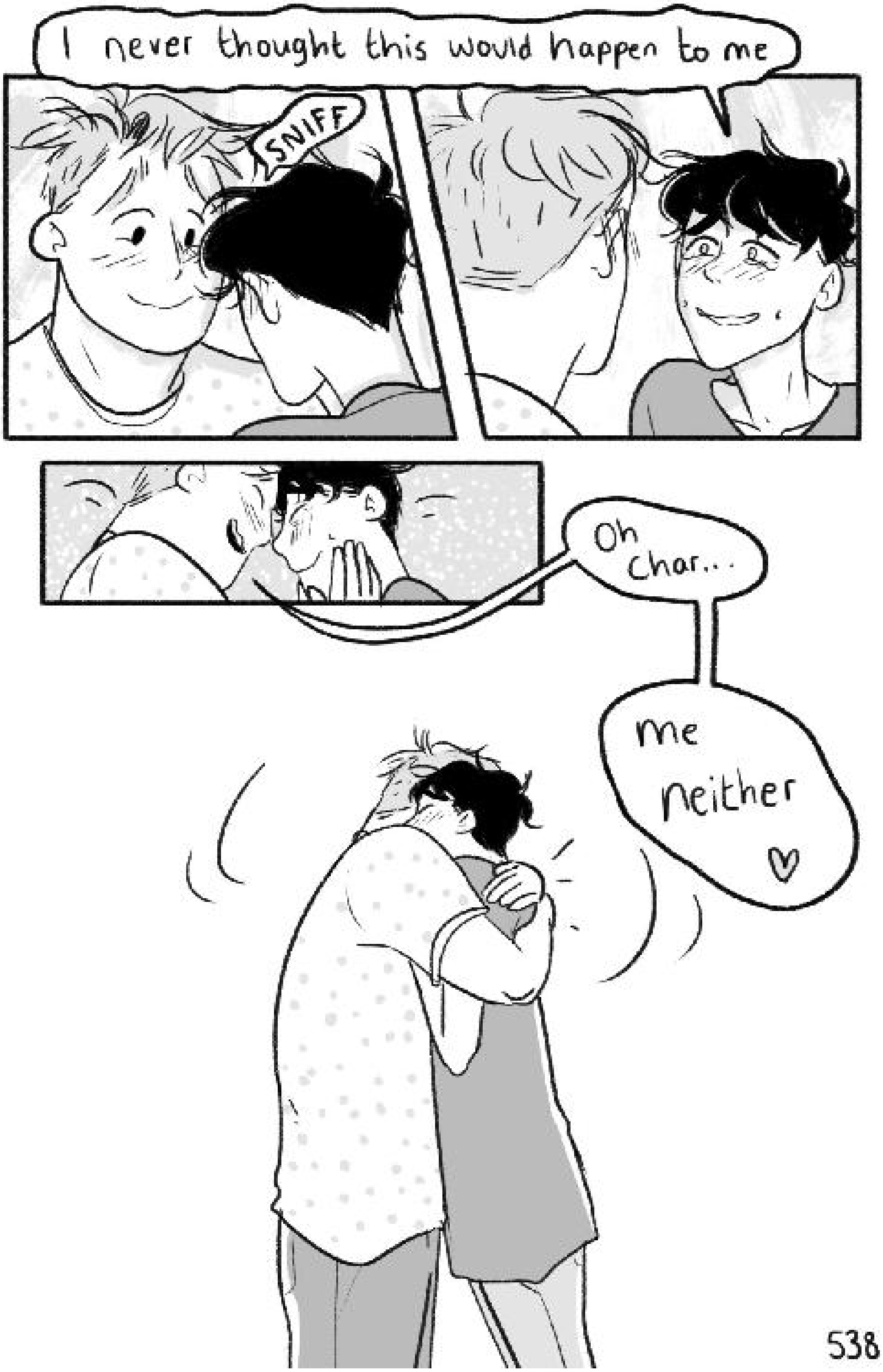

I'm not saying I want to make some sort of public announcement, haha...
..but I want to tell the people I care about
And I want you to be able to tell people too.
BRUSH

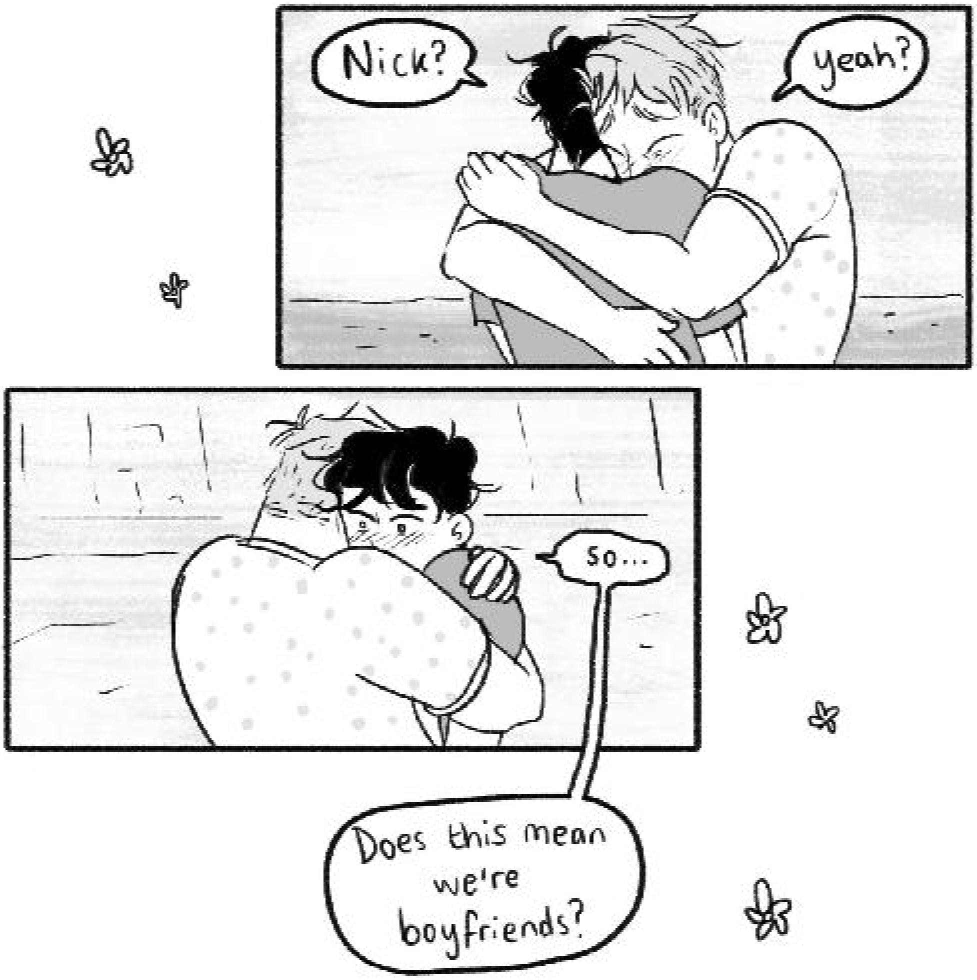

Ha ha ha!
I like you so much!!!
And I love liking you!
?
?


I LIKE CHARLIE SPRING!
...
IN A ROMANTIC WAY NOT JUST A FRIEND WAY
HA
HA
HA!




Oh... Char, what-
S-sorry
I'm just... really happy


I never thought this would happen to me
SNIFF
Oh Char...
me neither ♡


Nick?
yeah?
so...
Does this mean we're boyfriends?

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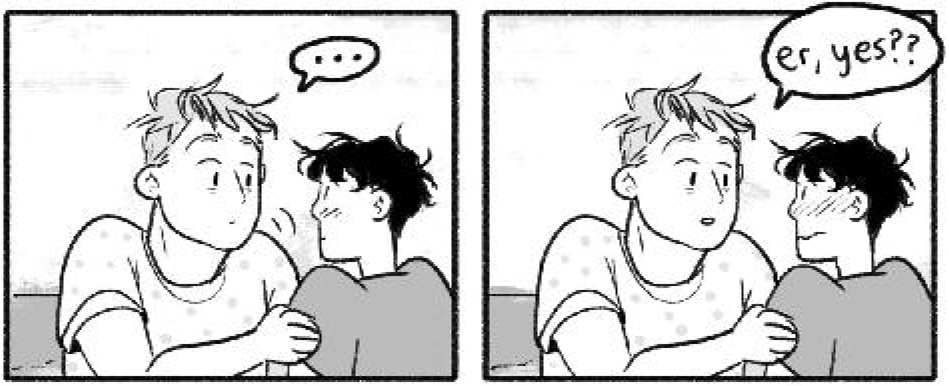
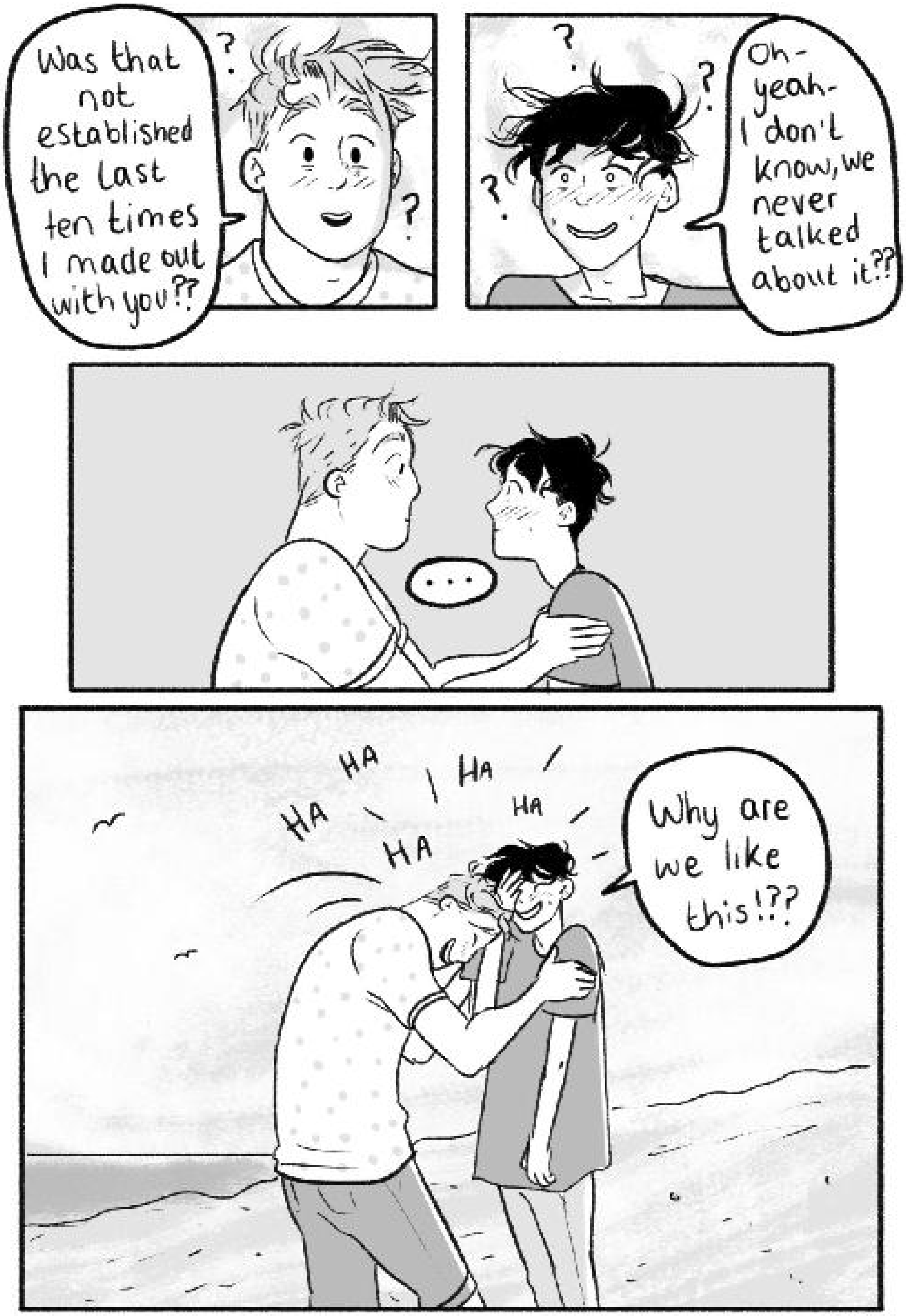
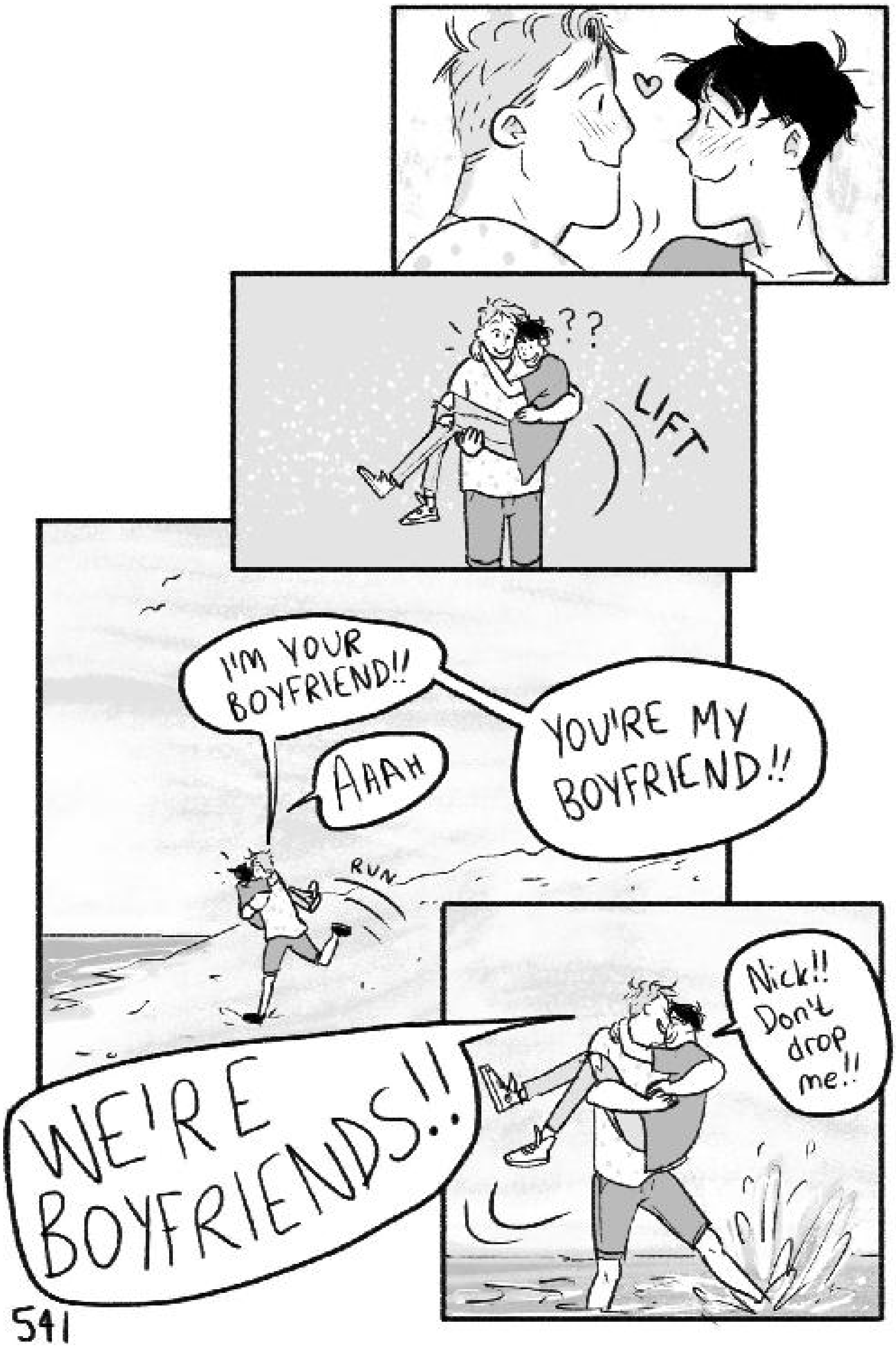



Was that not established the last ten times I made out with you??
Oh- yeah- I don't know, we never talked about it??
...
HA HA HA HA HA
Why are we like this!??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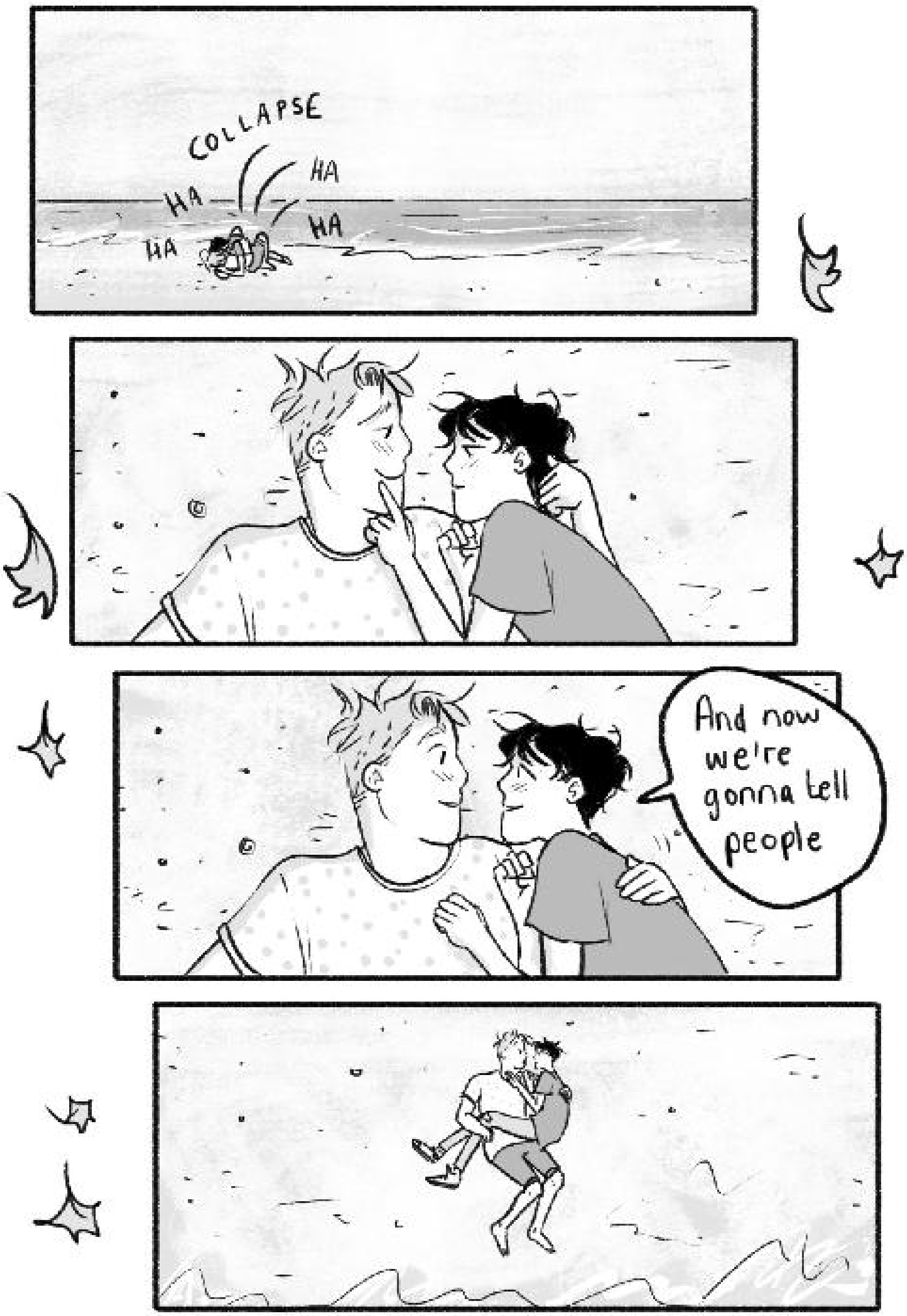
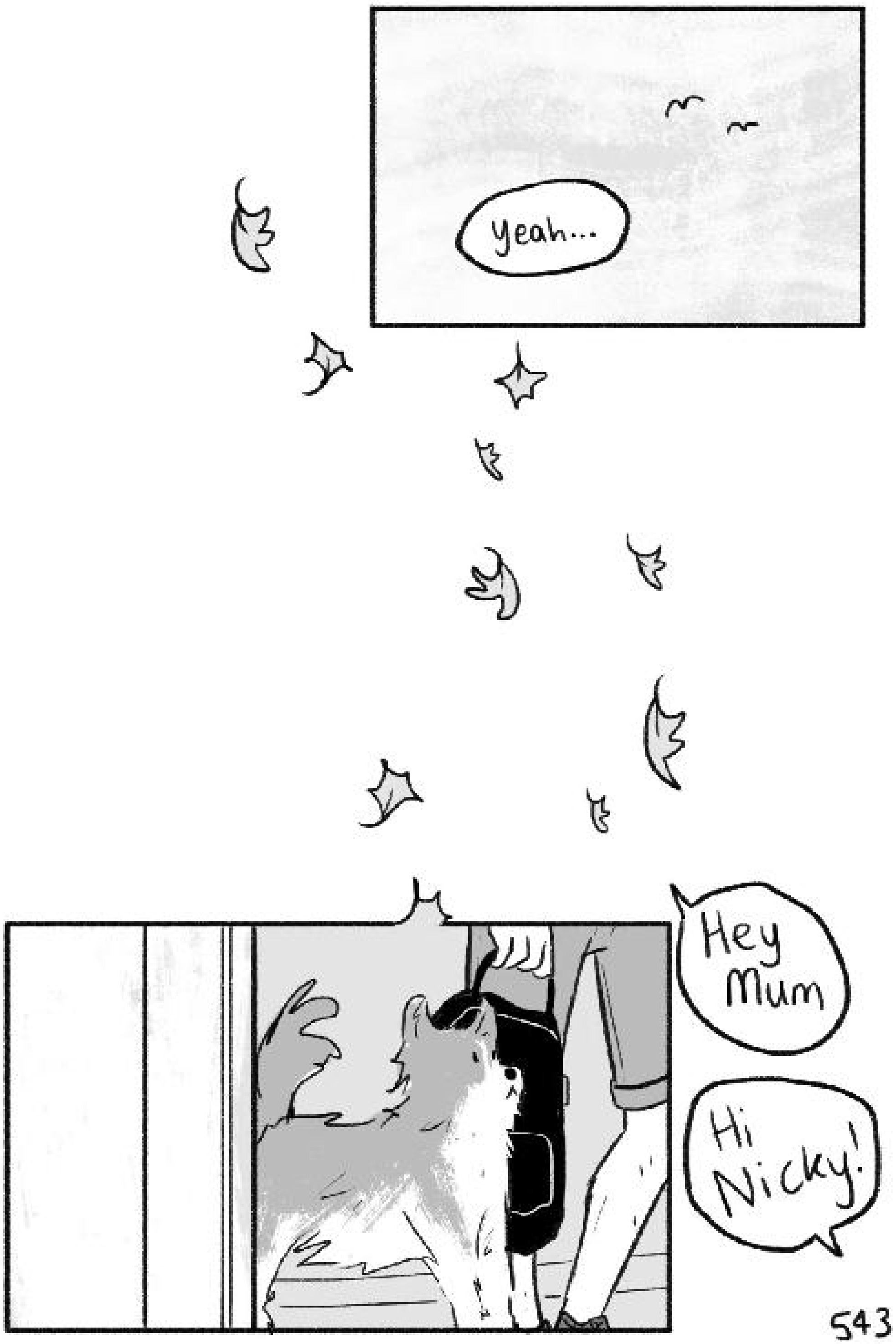
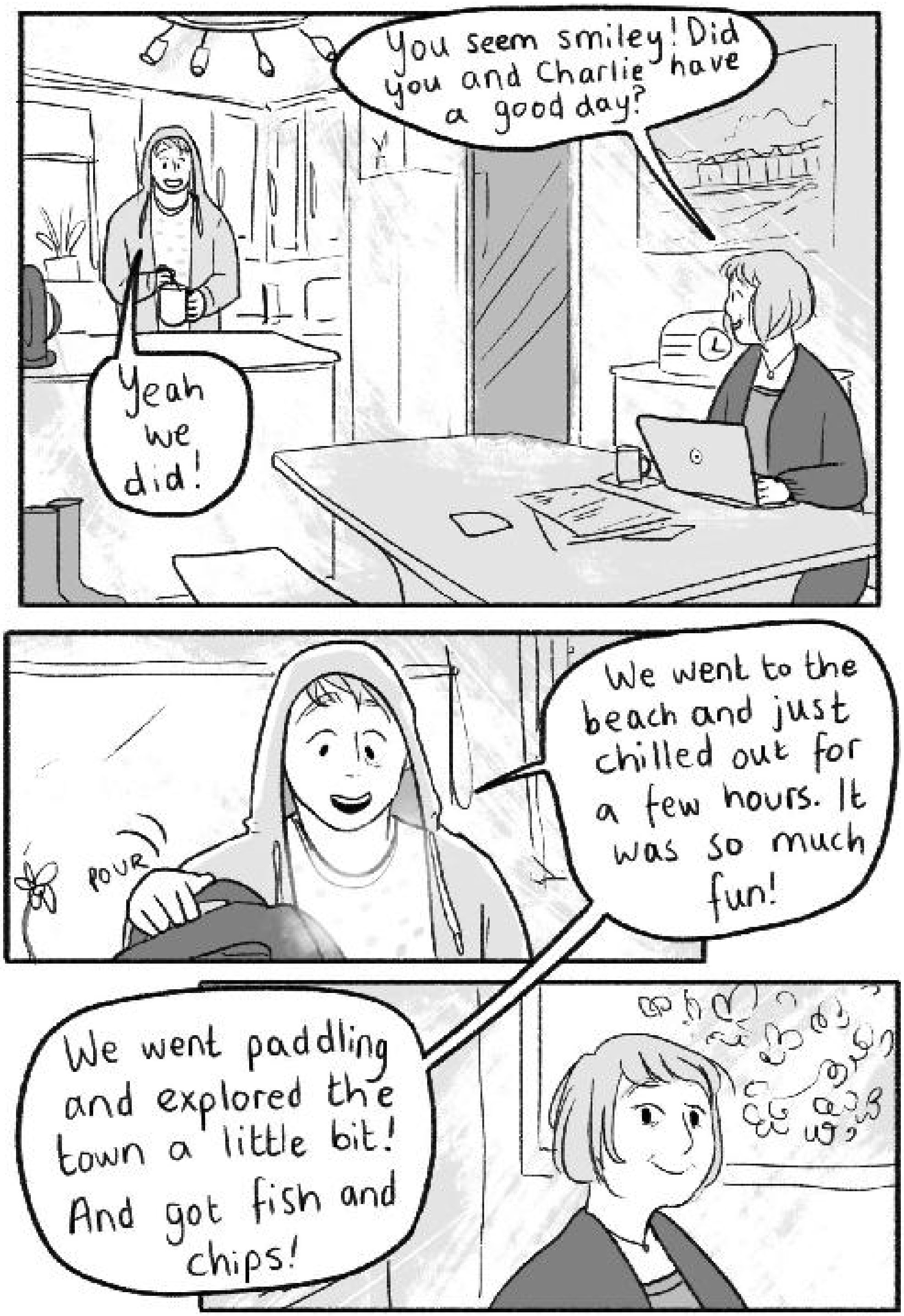
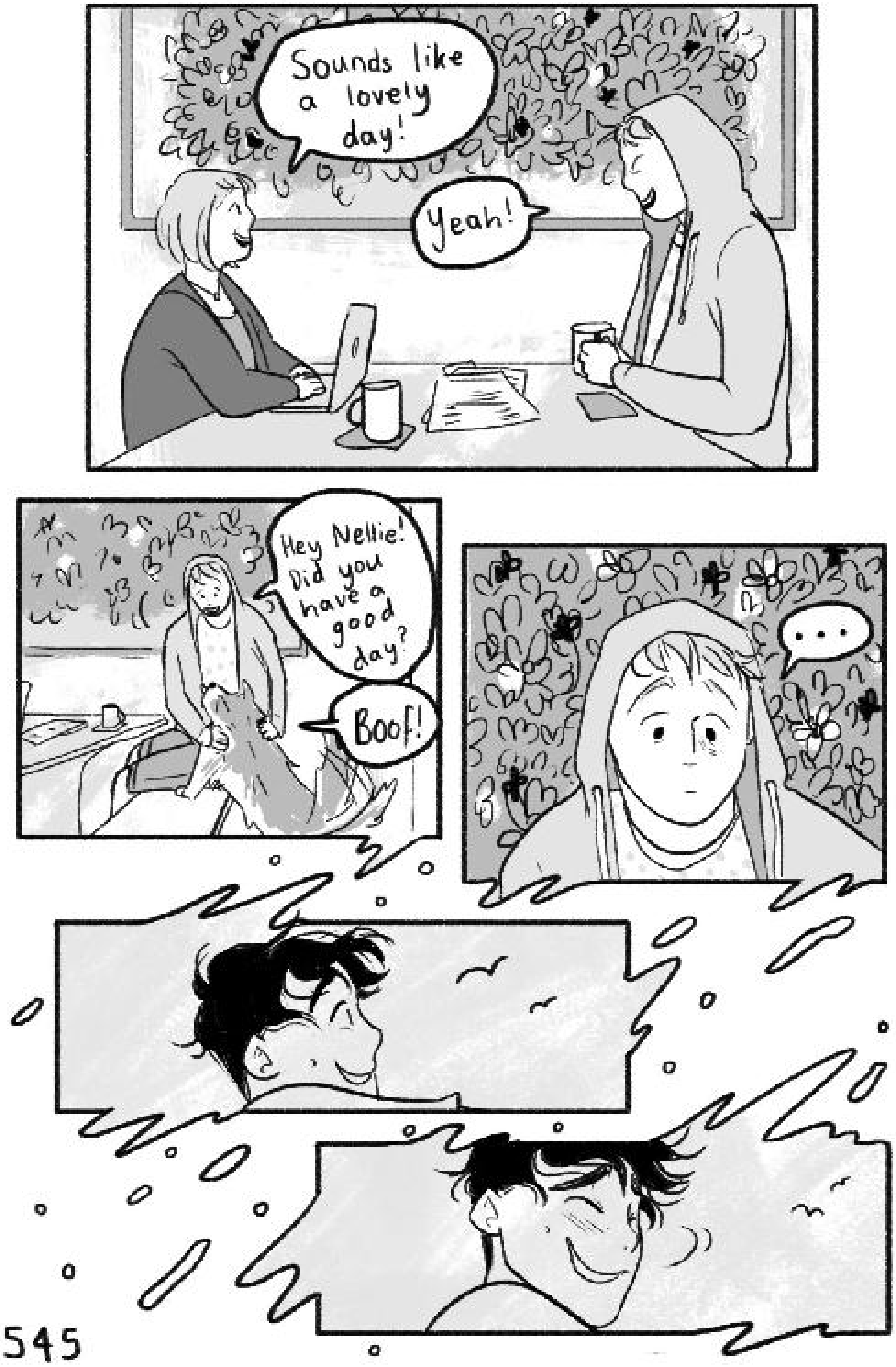
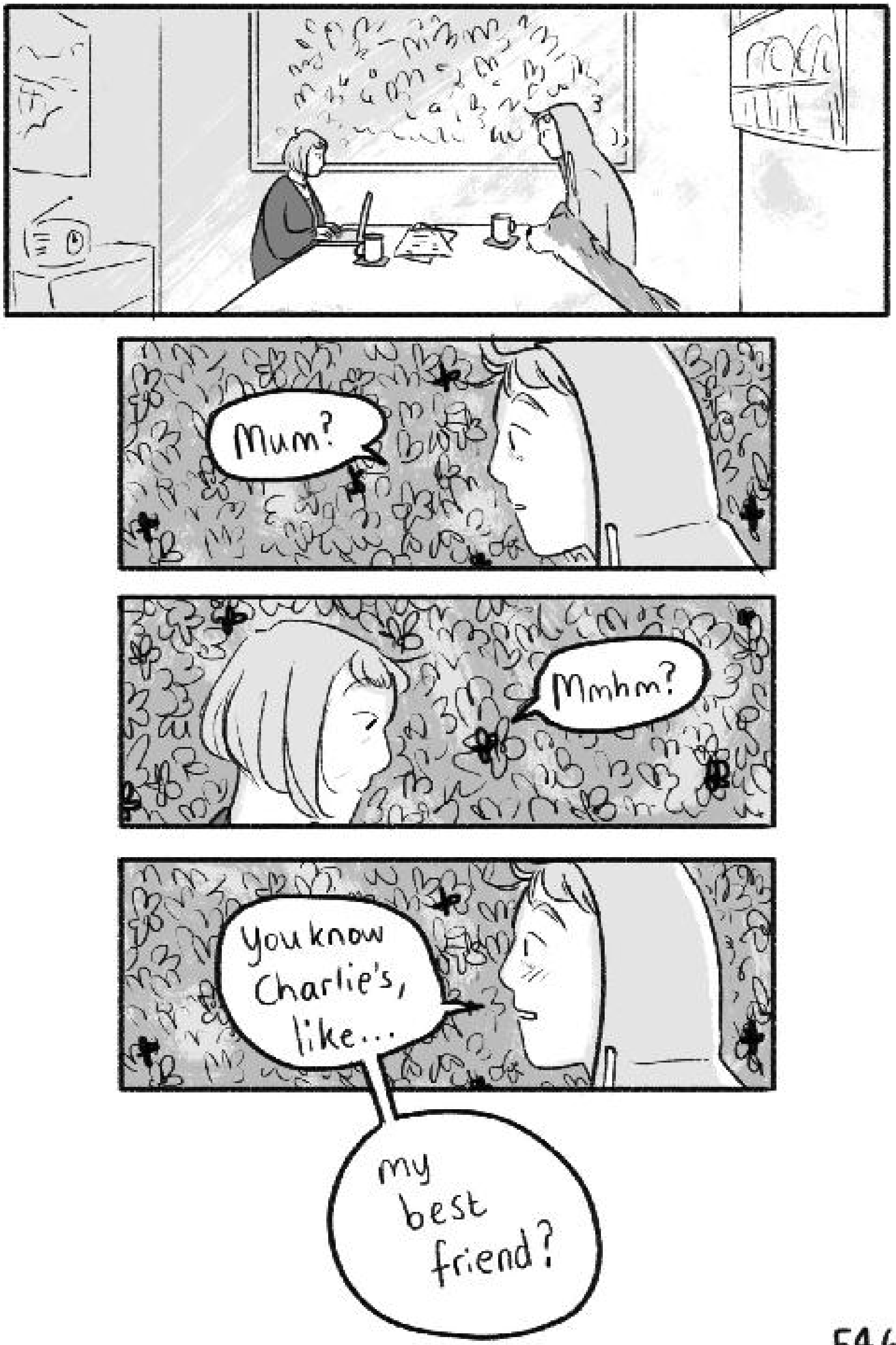
LIFT
I'M YOUR BOYFRIEND!!
AAAH
YOU'RE MY BOYFRIEND!!
RUN
WE'RE BOYFRIENDS!!
Nick!! Don't drop me!!

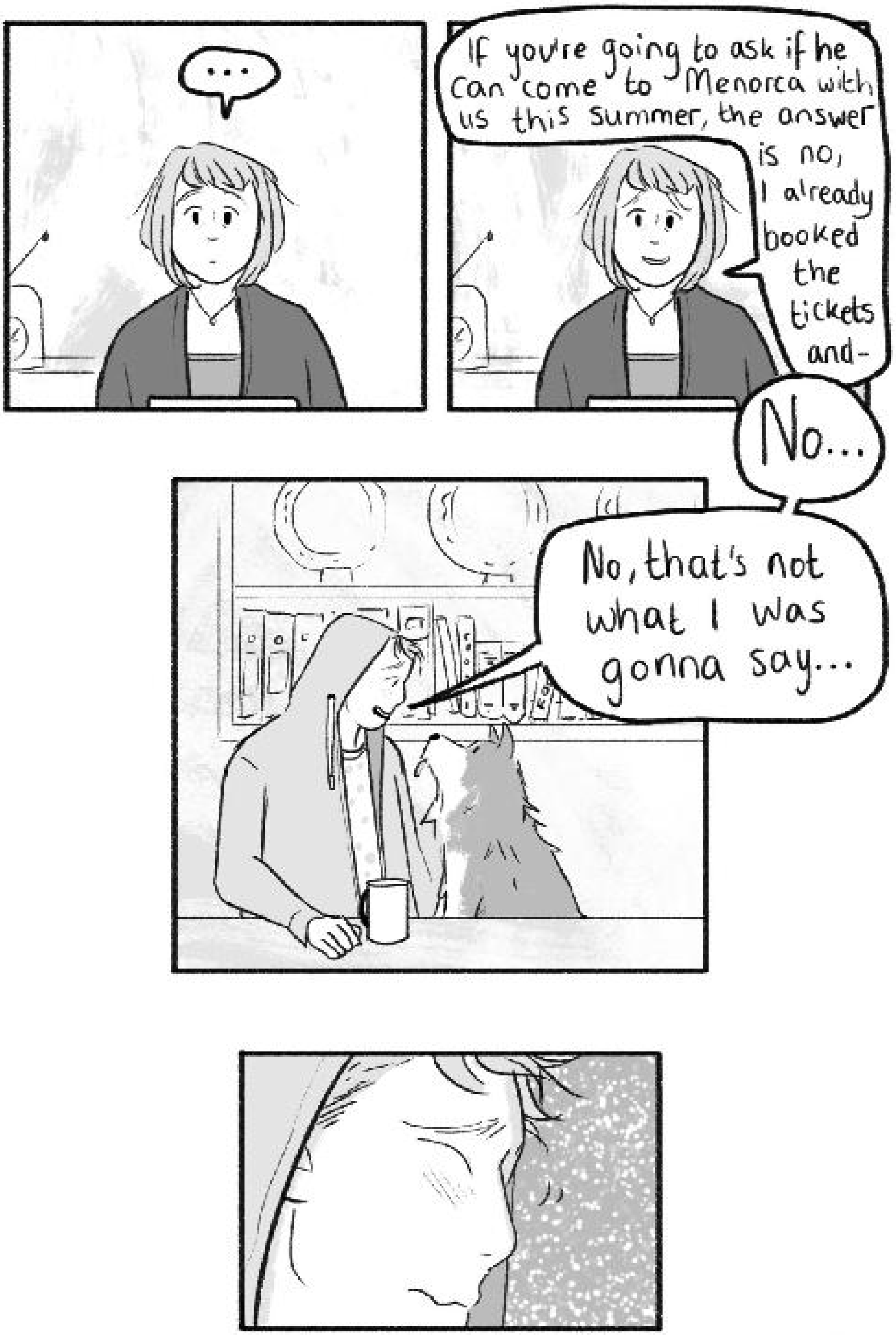

COLLAPSE
HA
HA
HA
HA
And now we're gonna tell people

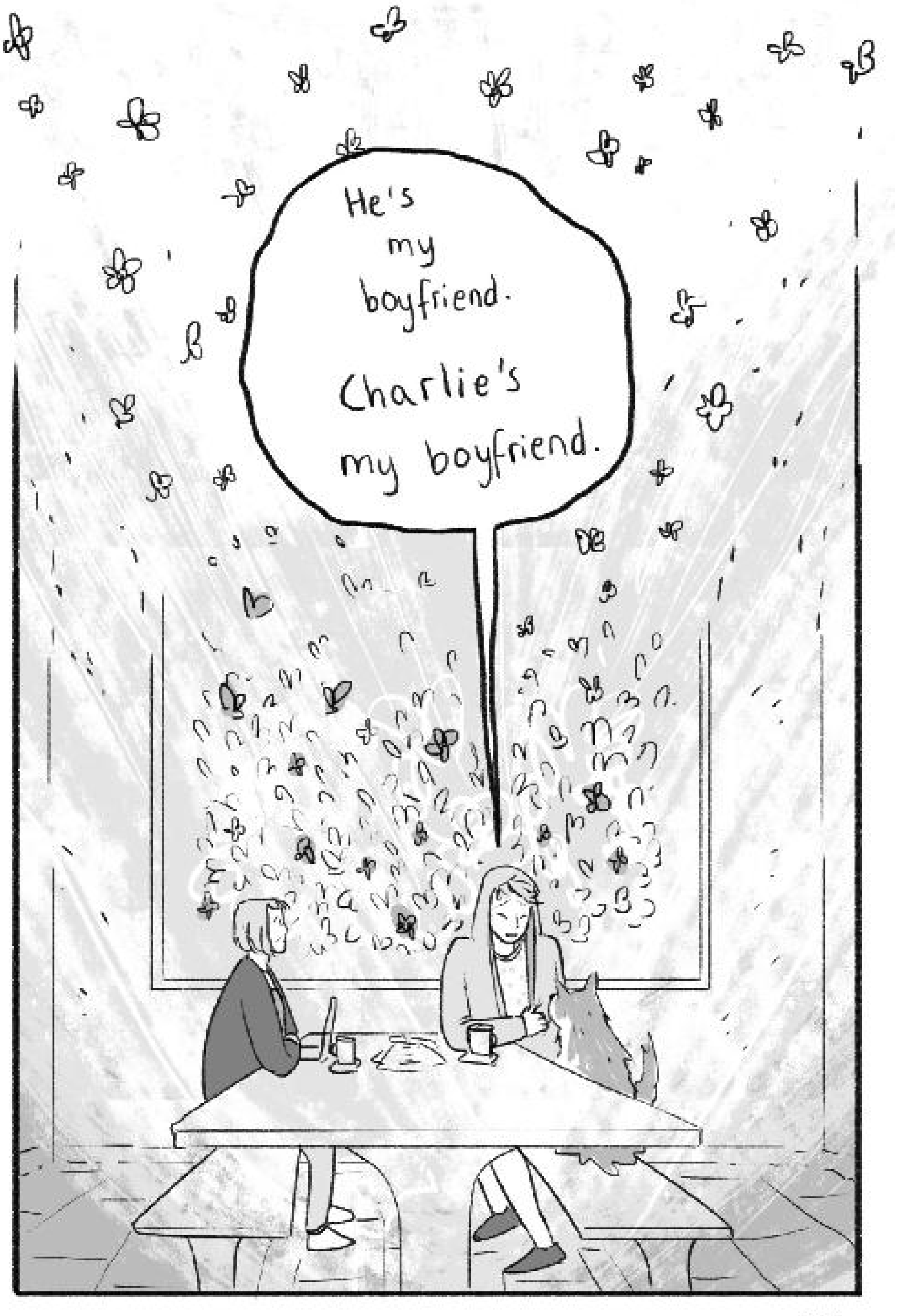

yeah...
Hey Mum
Hi Nicky!

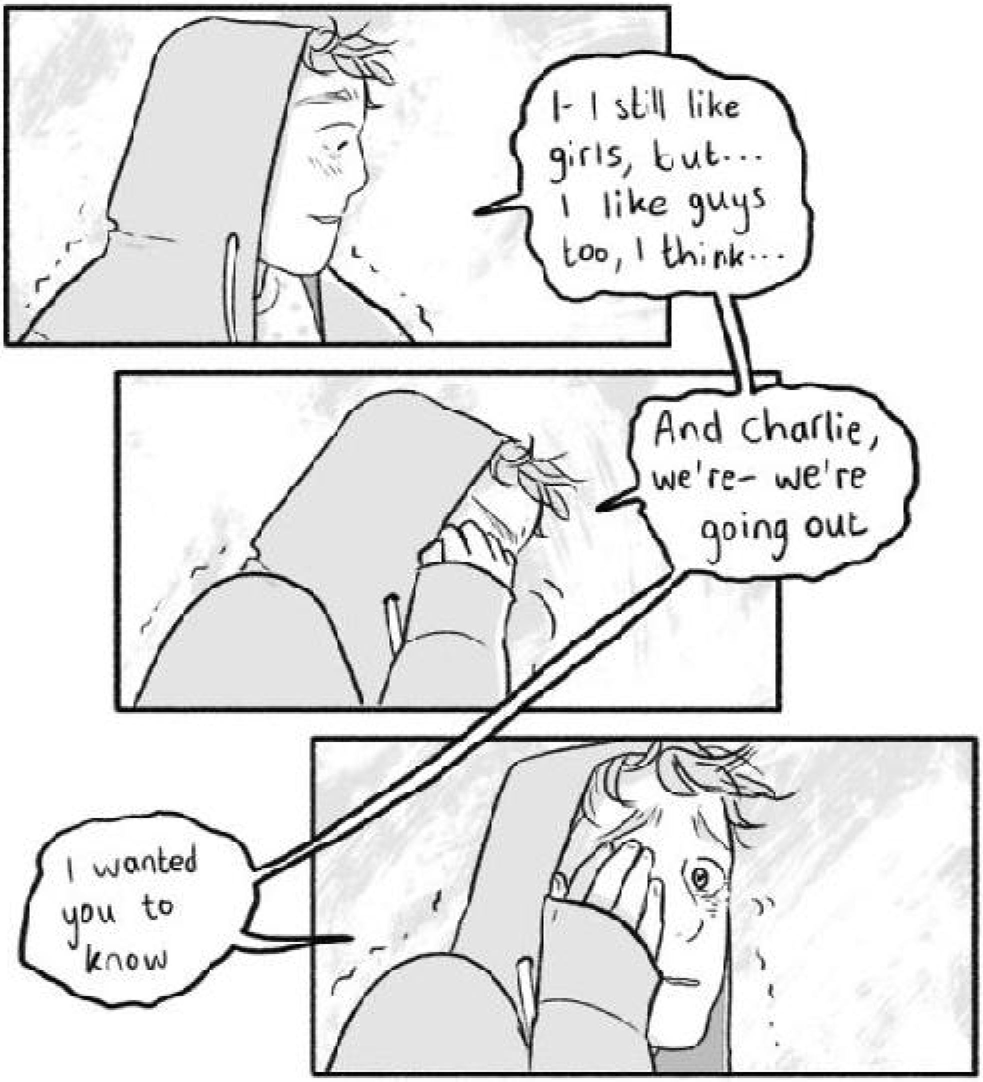

You seem smiley! Did you and Charlie have a good day?
Yeah we did!
We went to the beach and just chilled out for a few hours. It was so much fun!
POUR
We went paddling and explored the town a little bit! And got fish and chips!

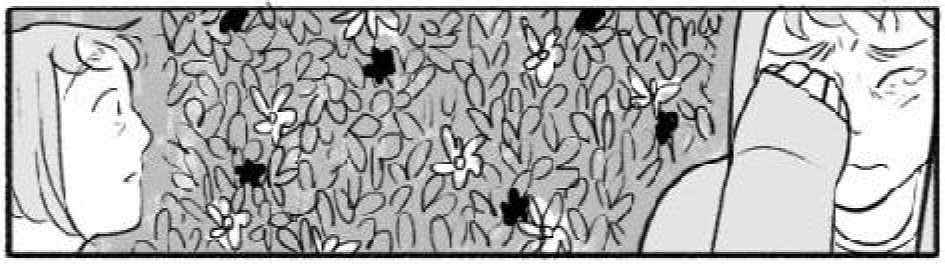

Sounds like a lovely day!
Yeah!
Hey Nellie! Did you have a good day?
Boof!
...

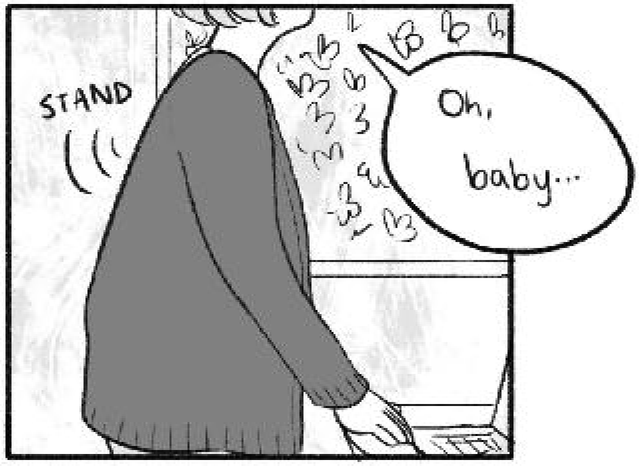

Mum?
Mmhm?
You know Charlie's, like...
my best friend?

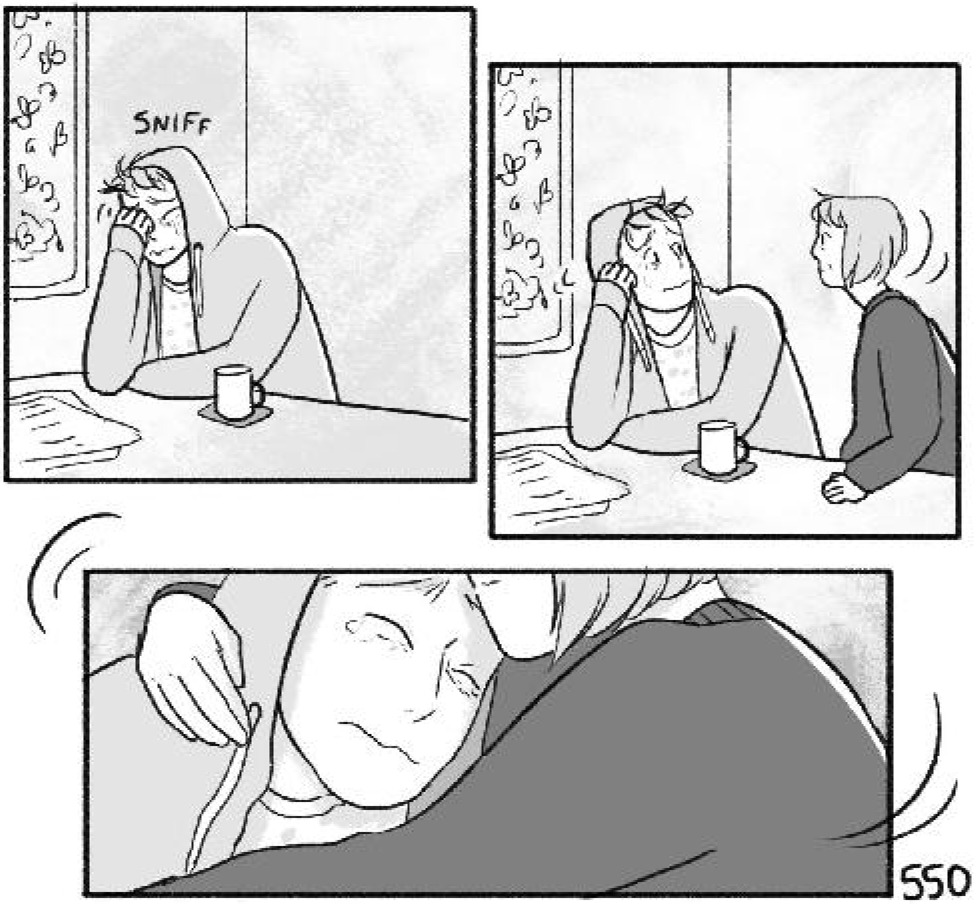

...
If you're going to ask if he can come to Menorca with us this summer, the answer is no, I already booked the tickets and-
No...
No, that's not what I was gonna say...

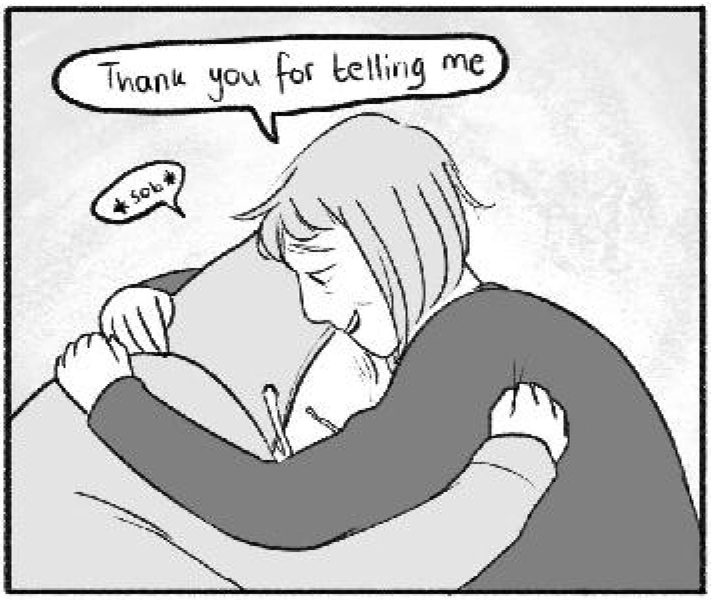

He's my boyfriend.
Charlie's my boyfriend.

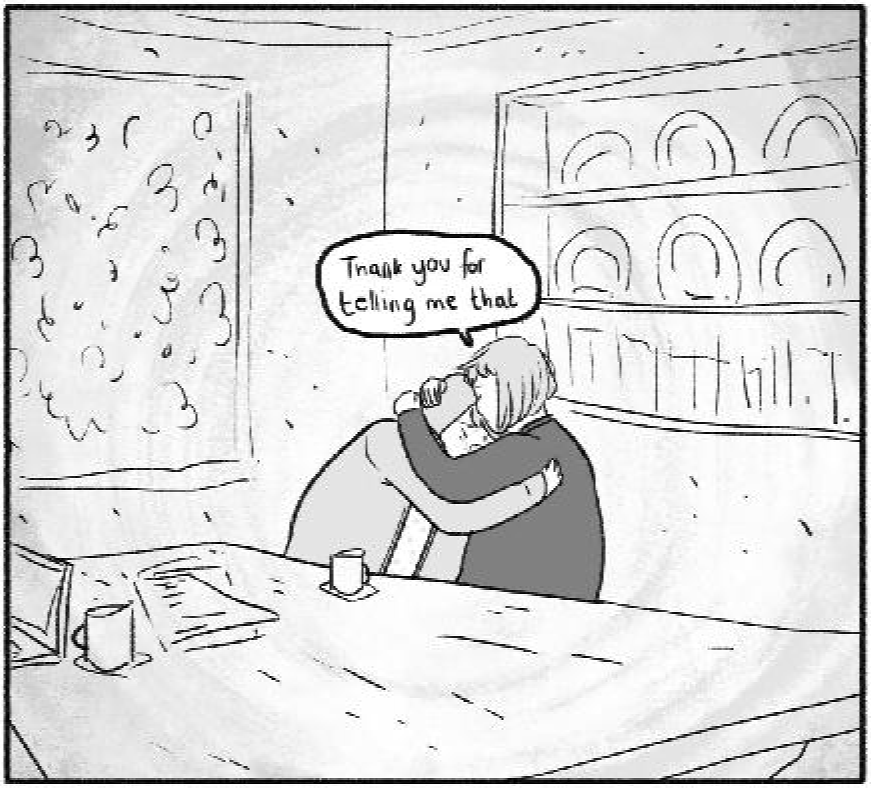

I- I still like girls, but... I like guys too, I think...
And Charlie, we're- we're going out
I wanted you to know

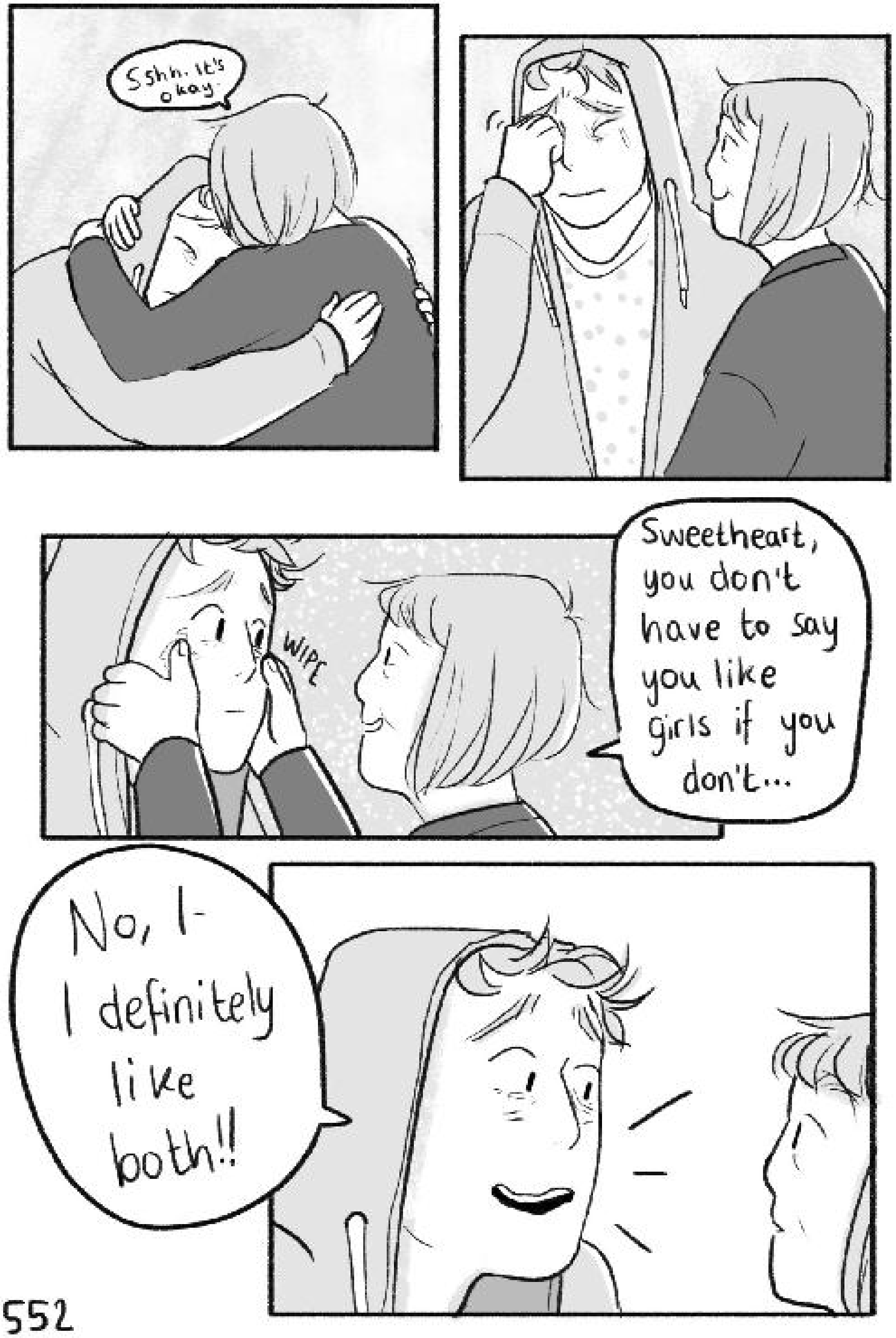


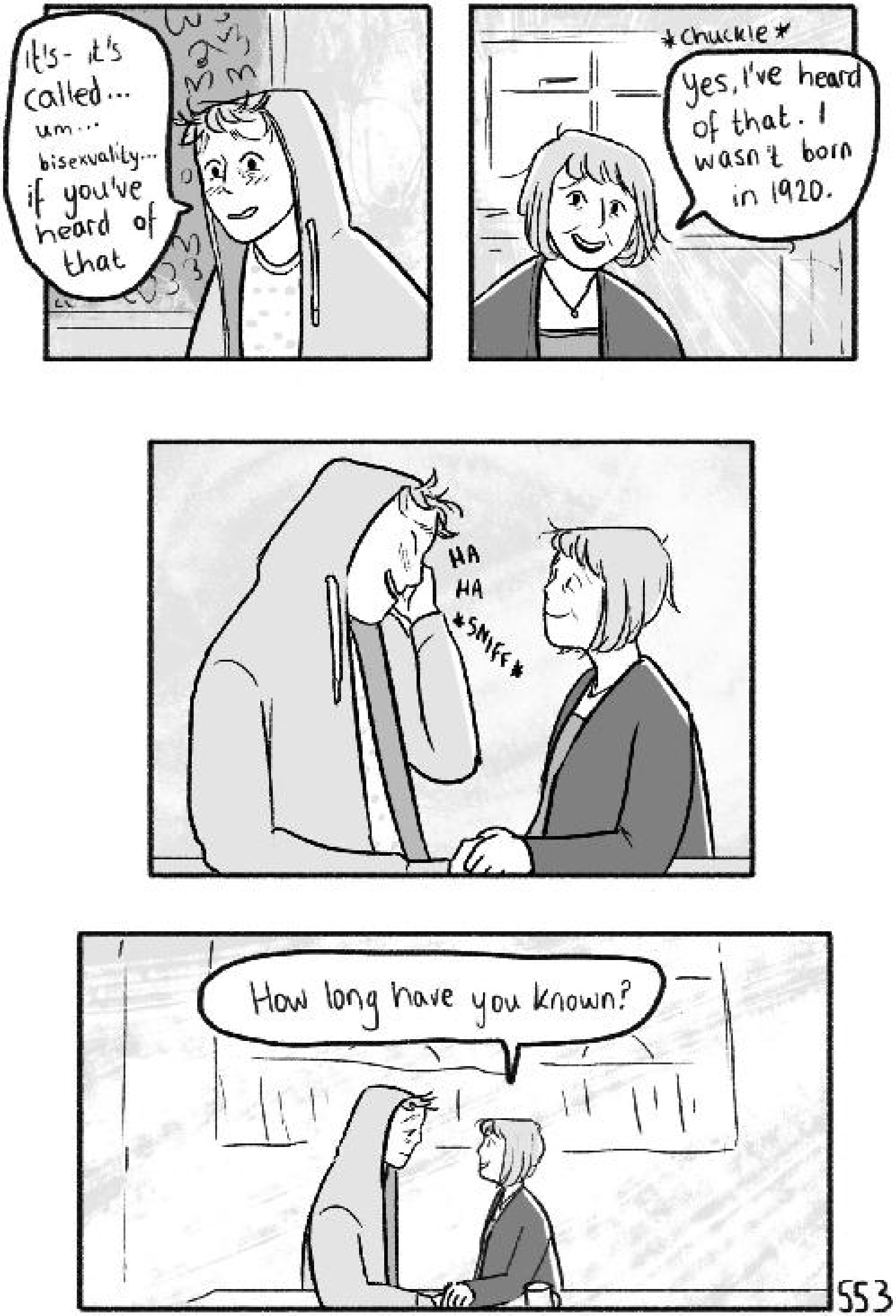

STAND
Oh, baby...

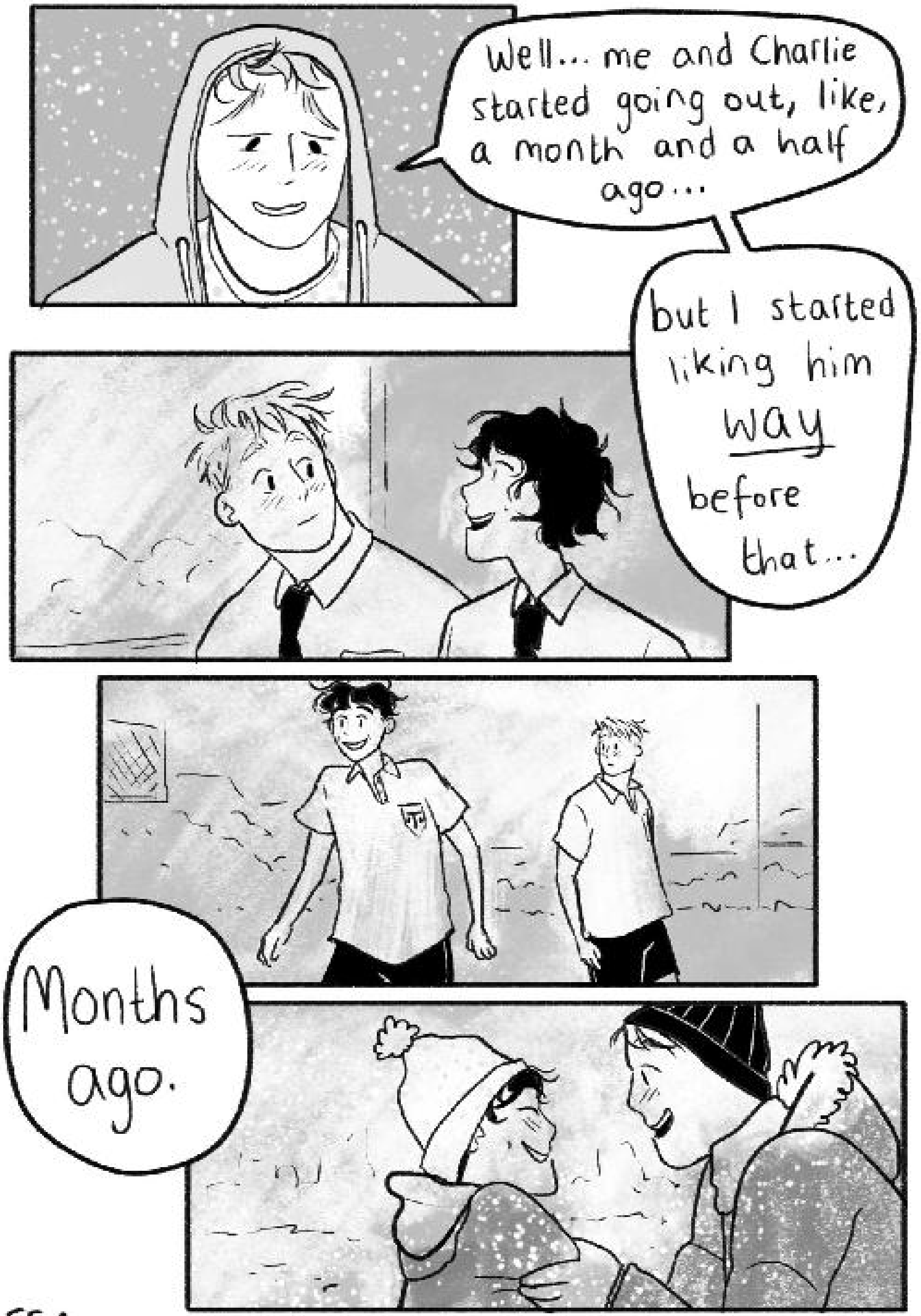

SNIFF

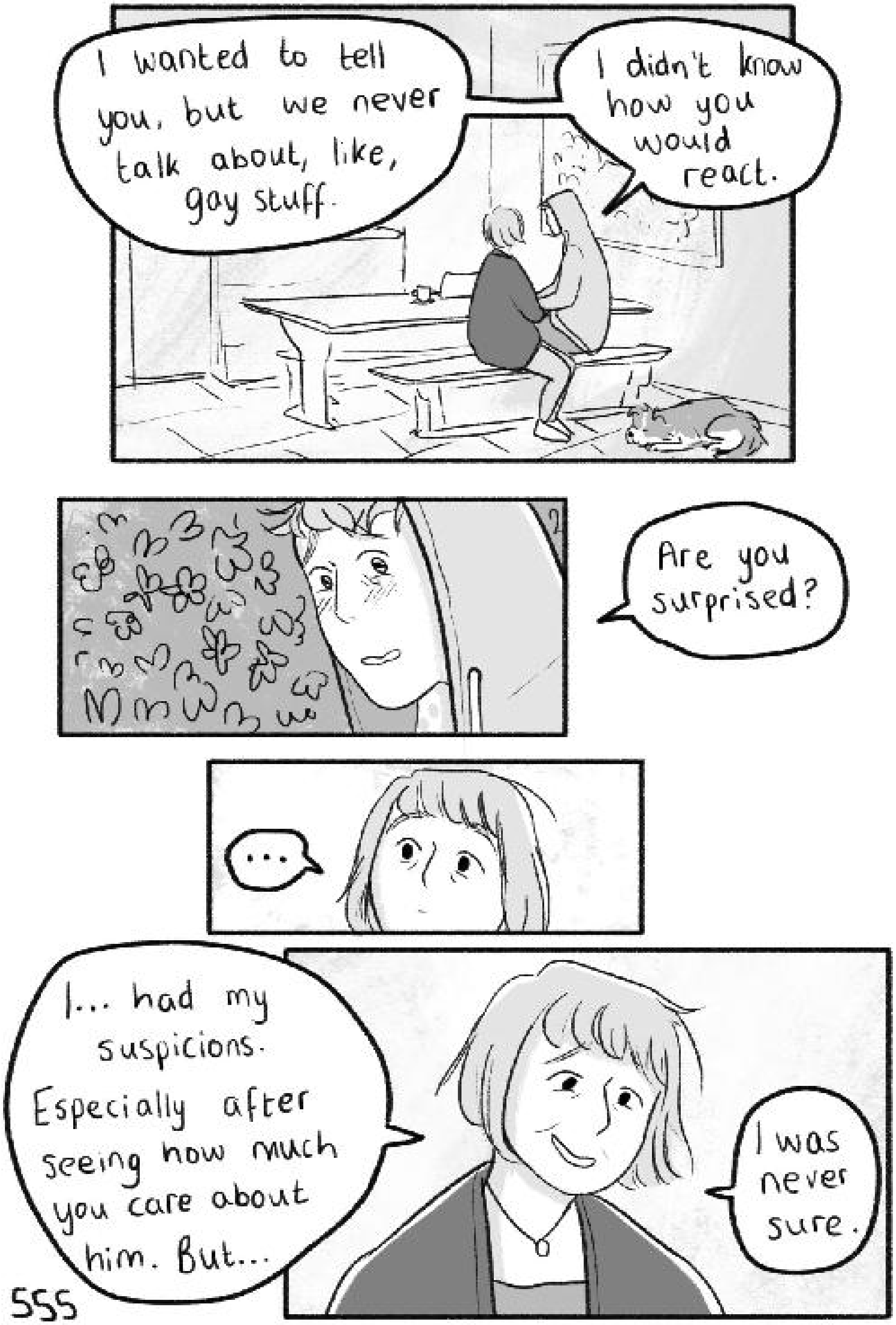

Thank you for telling me
sob

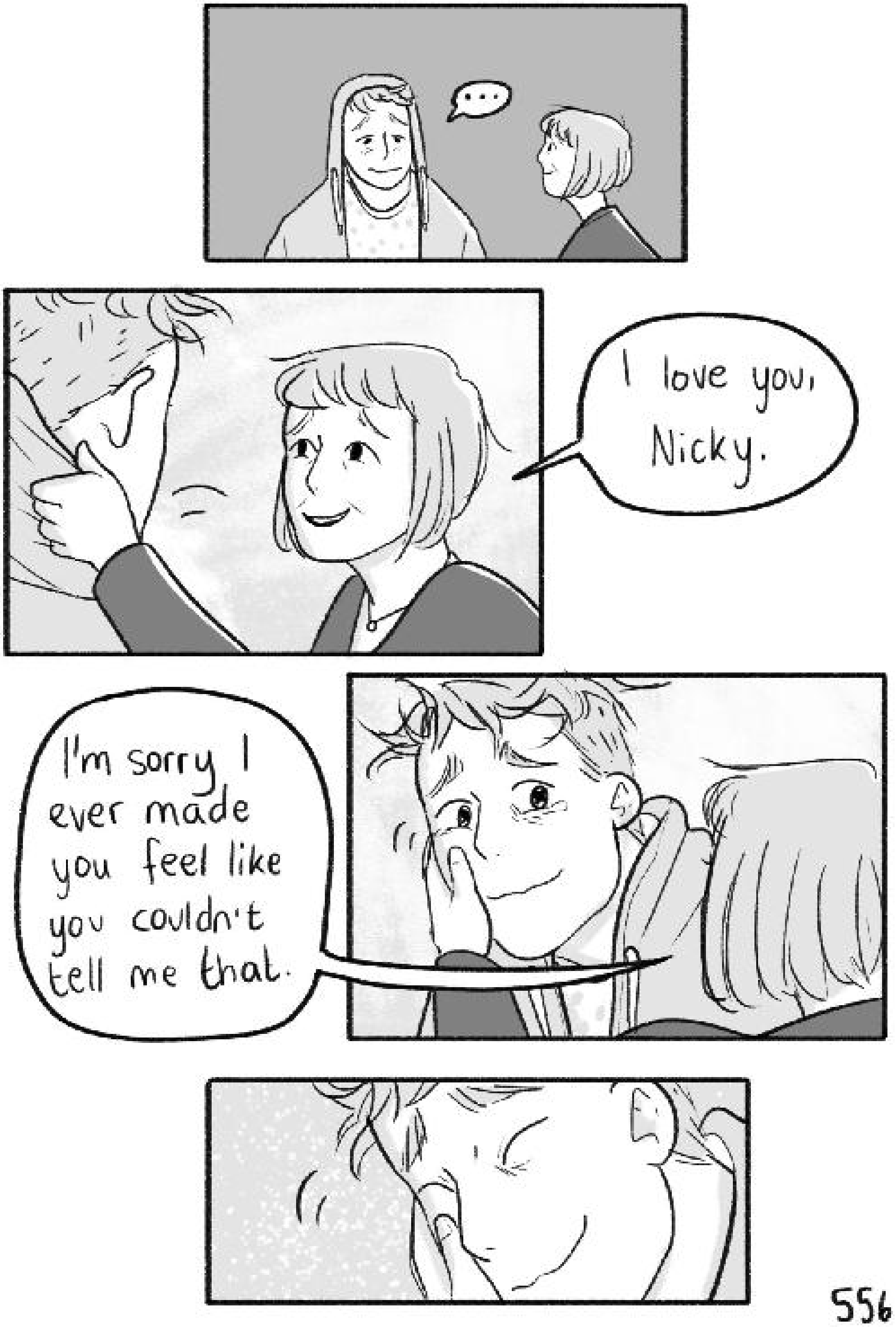

Thank you for telling me that

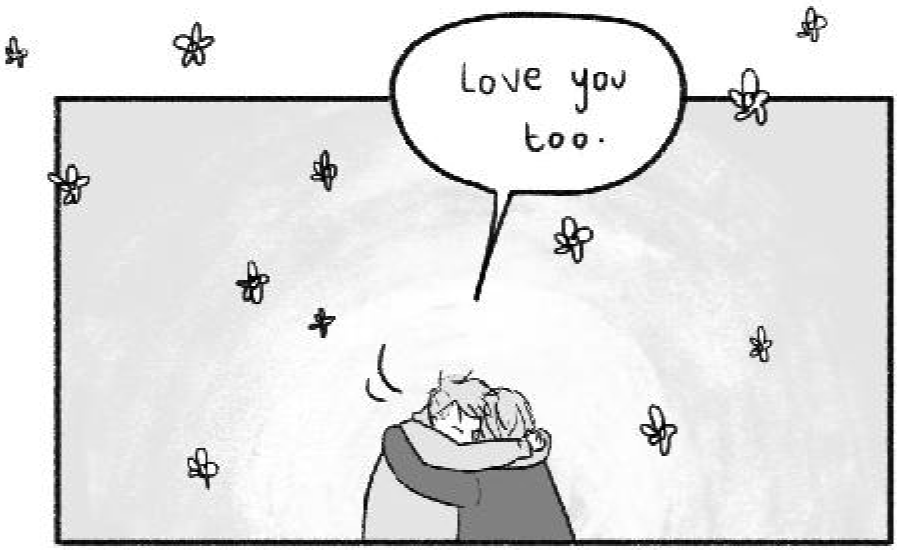

Sshh. It's okay.
WIPE
Sweetheart, you don't have to say you like girls if you don't...
No, I-
I definitely like both!!

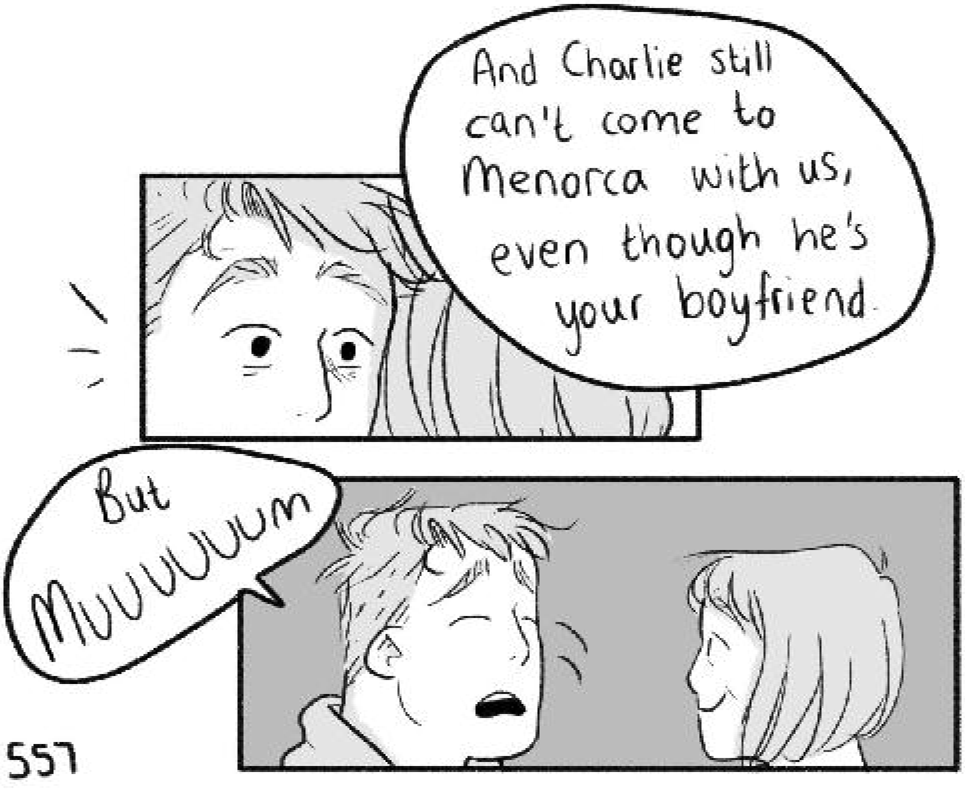

It's- it's called... um... bisexuality... if you've heard of that
chuckle
Yes, I've heard of that. I wasn't born in 1920.
HA HA
SNIFF
How long have you known?

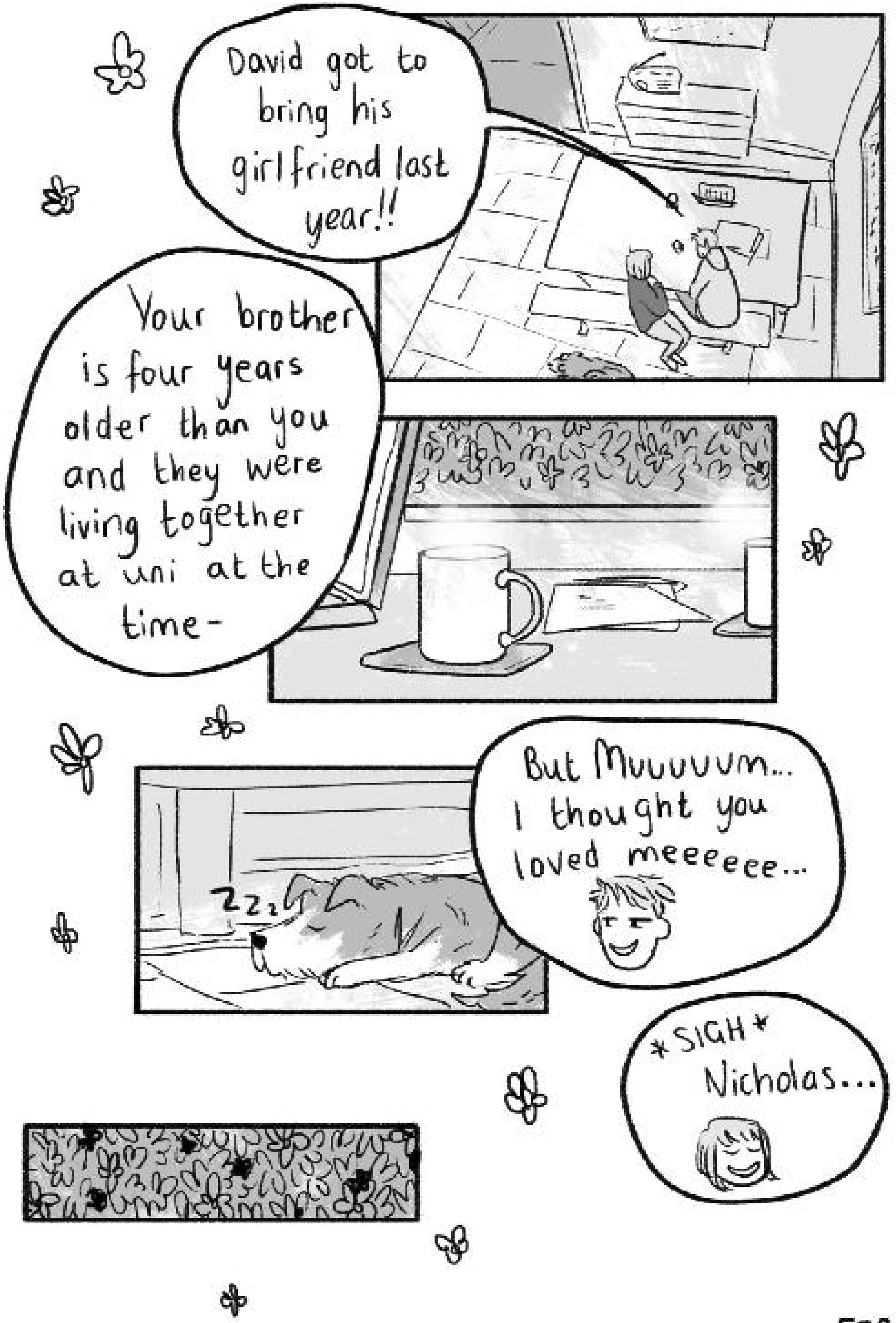

Well... me and Charlie started going out, like, a month and a half ago...
but I started liking him way before that...
Months ago.


I wanted to tell you, but we never talk about, like, gay stuff.
I didn't know how you would react.
Are you surprised?
...
I... had my suspicions. Especially after seeing how much you care about him. But...
I was never sure.


...
I love you, Nicky.
I'm sorry I ever made you feel like you couldn't tell me that.


Love you too.


And Charlie still can't come to Menorca with us, even though he's your boyfriend.
But MUUUUUUM


David got to bring his girlfriend last year!!
Your brother is four years older than you and they were living together at uni at the time-
Zzz
But Muuuuum... I thought you loved meeeeee...
SIGH Nicholas...